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As two ex-ministers lead mounting revolt and Whitehall insider tells Mail row is 'distracting' from mini-Budget's benefits...

By Jason Groves, Tom Witherow and Kumail Jaffer

TWO former ministers led a mounting Tory revolt over the plan to scrap the 45p tax rate last night amid speculation the Government could U-turn on the move.

Michael Gove sparked a backlash from fellow Tories yesterday as he called for Liz Truss and Kwasi Kwarteng to ditch the plan to abolish the 45p tax rate.

As the row threatened to overshadow the Conservative Party conference, former transport secretary Grant Shapps last night echoed Mr Gove's comments, saying the move to abolish the rate was 'tin eared'.'

A deflant Mr Kwarteng is today expected to use his first conference speech as Chancellor to pledge to 'stay the course' with his plans, saying that years of economic policy consensus have left Britain in a state of 'slow, managed decline' that must be reversed.

However, last night speculation was mounting that he and Miss Truss could perform a U-turn and ditch the 45p policy - the price of shoring up Tory support for the rest of the mini-Budget measures. A senior Whitehall insider told the Daily Mail: 'The 45p row is becoming a massive distraction which

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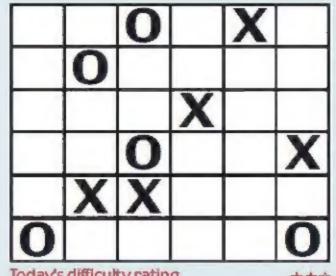
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'Eco' power station in tree-felling storm

By Sophie Huskisson Health Reporter

BRITAIN'S largest renewable power station is cutting down carbonrich forests while receiving billions in greenenergy subsidies from UK taxpayers, an investigation claims.

Panorama tonight reports how Drax, which generates 12 per cent of the UK's renewable electricity by burning wood pellets at its Yorkshire power station, bought logging licences to cut down two areas of forest in western Canada.

The company claims it only used leftover sawdust and waste wood from the forests but the BBC film, titled The Green Energy Scandal Exposed, shows logs from the forest being loaded on to a Drax truck and then unloaded at one of its pellet plants.

The programme says that Drax's power station burned more than seven million tonnes of imported wood pellets last year and that documents on a Canadian forestry database show that only 11 per cent of logs delivered to two of its pellet plants are the small, twisted or rotten timber the company says it uses.

Drax has already received £6billion in green energy subsidies even though burning wood gives off more greenhouse gases than burning coal, Panorama emphasised.

The two areas of environ-

Wood-fired plant that takes billions in green handouts 'is hacking down Canadian forest'



Burning questions: The Drax Power Station in Yorkshire

mentally important forest - in the Canadian province of British Columbia - where Drax bought logging licences have never been logged before.

One of the sites includes large areas that have been identified as rare, old-growth forest. Drax's own responsible sourcing policy says it 'will avoid damage or disturbance' to primary and old-growth for-

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est. However, satellite pictures show Drax is now cutting down this forest, according to the BBC.

The company told Panorama that logging at this site would reduce the risk of wildfires.

The second Drax logging licence is for a mature primary forest that has now been cut down. Drax told the BBC it hadn't cut down

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the forest itself but transferred the logging licences to other companies.

However, the authorities in British Columbia confirmed to Panorama that Drax still holds the licences.

Drax later admitted to Panorama that it did use logs from the forest to make wood pellets, claiming they were species the timber industry didn't want.

The company also said the sites identified by Panorama weren't primary forest because they were near roads, yet the BBC pointed out that there is no mention of proximity to roads in the United Nations'

'Avoid damage or disturbance'

definition of primary forest. A Drax spokesman told the BBC that 80 per cent of material in its Canadian pellets is sawmill residuals, which would be disposed of anyway.

Last week it emerged that Drax had quietly agreed to pay out millions of dollars to settle air-pollution claims against its wood-pellet factories in the United States, according to an investigation by Unearthed, Greenpeace's investigative unit.

A Drax spokesman said: 'Drax does not harvest forests and has not taken any material directly from the two areas the BBC has looked at.

■ Panorama: The Green Energy Scandal Exposed is on BBC1 at 8pm tonight

Anger at Lords bid for MP in VIP abuse row

HOUSE of Lords chiefs have been urged to block a fresh peerage bid for the Labour politician who pushed false claims of a VIP paedophile ring.

An application has been made for ex-Labour deputy leader Tom Watson to be given a seat in the upper house, just two years after he was first nominated.

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The House of Lords Appointments Com-

By Martin Beckford Policy Editor

mission is under pressure to reject him again from the Opposition's latest honours list because of his involvement in

the scandal of false child abuse claims.

Its chairman Lord Bew has been told by Tory MP Harvey Proctor, one of the victims of Scotland Yard's disastrous Opera-

tion Midland, that Mr Watson has made 'no genuine apology to those his actions damaged, including myself'.

Mr Watson shocked the Commons in 2012 by claiming there had been a 'powerful paedophile network linked to Parliament and No 10' in the 1980s. It emerged the claims were fantasies of hoaxer Carl Beech, also known as 'Nick'. Mr Watson, now head of trade body UK Music, said in

a TV interview he was 'very sorry on many levels'.

Last night, the House of Lords Appointments Commission, Labour and Mr Watson declined to comment.

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Hey Miss Jagger, the 70s want their boots back!



THE last time they were In fashion, she was not even a twinkle in her father's eye.

But Georgia May Jagger, 30, pulled off the tricky task of modelling a towering pair of a towering pair of a towering pair of the tricky task of modelling a towering pair of a towering pair of the tricky task of modelling a towering pair of the tricky task of t

But Georgia May Jagger, 30, pulled off the tricky task of modelling a towering pair of platform boots with the aplomb of Sir Mick in his 1970s heyday. Indeed, the crocodile skin-style boots – worn for the Vivienne Westwood show at Paris Fashion Week – could have given another giant of 70s style, Sir Elton

John, a run for his money.

Rock chic: Georgia May Jagger in Paris at the weekend. Inset: A young Elton John

For hire, your new winter wardrobe from John Lewis

WHEN John Lewis launched a trial two years ago allowing customers to rent furniture, almost its entire collection was hired within 48 hours.

So in the spirit of reusing and recycling, the retailer is trying the same trick again with a new rental service – and this time a new wardrobe is up for grabs.

John Lewis is aiming to win a slice of the booming rental clothing market, which is expected to be worth £2.3billion by 2029.

The 'dress for hire' service, being launched today, involves customers paying a fee to rent an item – perhaps for a special occasion – for up to 20 days.

Marks & Spencer similarly launched a dress rental service last winter. It comes at a time when shoppers are cutting back their spending on clothes amid the cost of living squeeze, and as research highlights the environmental impact of fast fashion.

John Lewis, which hopes to encourage 'a more sustainable way of shopping', is partnering with rental specialist Hurr, an online platform that allows users By **Sean Poulter** Consumer Affairs Editor

to rent a Chanel minidress for

£51 or a Balenciaga bag for £130. The platform, which works with a large number of designers and fashion chains, also allows individuals to make extra cash by renting out their own designer pieces. On the Hurr website, Prada is one of the most rented luxury brands with an average retail value of £1,200, but an average rental price of £100.

Notable advocates of the dress rental trend include Carrie John-

'Sustainable way of shopping'

son, who opted to hire her wedding dress when she married Boris Johnson last year. The designer dress, which was reportedly rented for £45, would have cost £2,870 to buy.

In 2020, John Lewis launched a similar partnership allowing customers to rent furniture including bed frames, bar stools and statement sofas, with prices starting at £17 a month for a desk or chair rented for a year

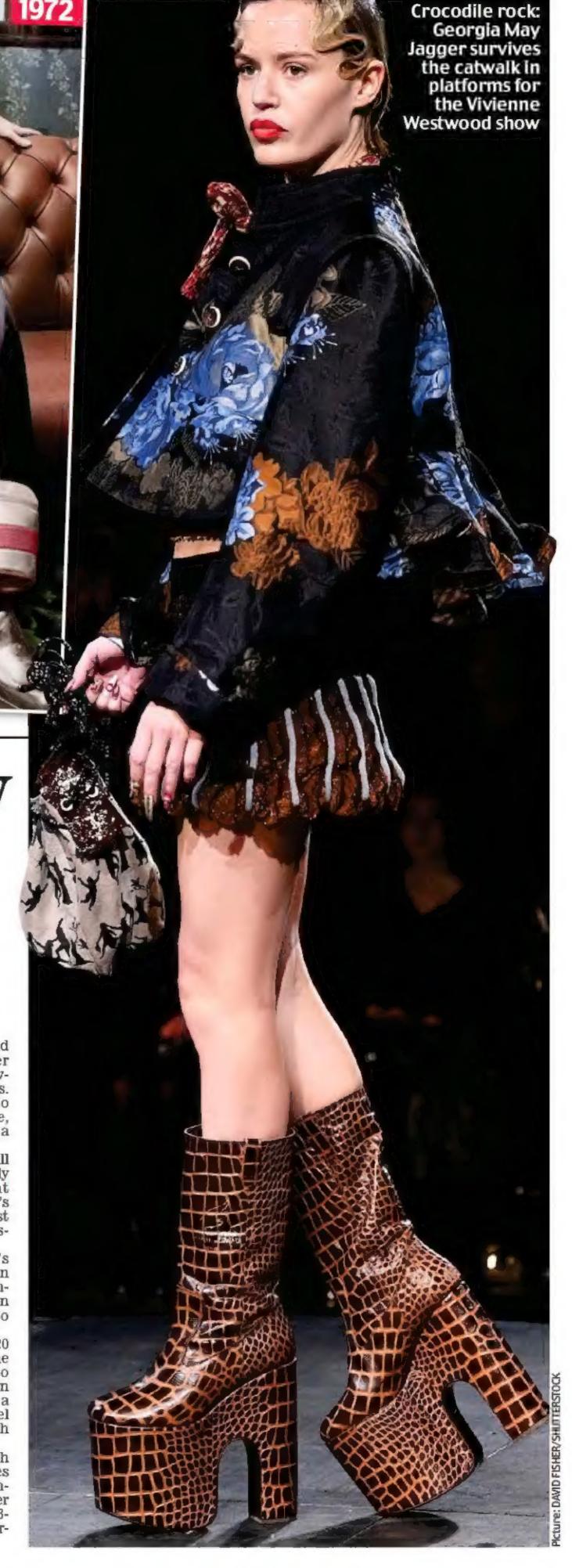
and rising for larger goods. And earlier this year, the retailer announced its subscription service for rented children's clothes. It allows parents to hire up to seven items at any one time, which can then be swapped for a new design or bigger size.

The latest scheme, which will loan a range of brands currently available at its department stores, comes after John Lewis's half-year results showed the cost of living crunch is affecting customers' spending patterns

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Pippa Wicks, John Lewis's executive director, said: 'John Lewis Rental allows our customers to experiment with fashion they love without it having to cost the earth.'

The minimum rental fee is £20 and customers can browse the collection online and choose to rent an outfit for four, eight, ten or 20 days. They arrive with a return bag and pre-paid label and are sent back to Hurr, which will have them dry cleaned.

John Lewis said research shows the UK buys more clothes per person than any other country in Europe and that the wider fashion industry accounts for 8-10 per cent of annual global carbon emissions.



Pope tells Putin: Stop this spiral of violence and death

By Inderdeep Bains Deputy Chief Reporter

POPE Francis yesterday implored Vladimir Putin to stop the 'spiral of violence and death' in Ukraine as he decried the 'absurd' risk of a nuclear war.

The pontiff made his strongest plea over the seven-month conflict as he delivered his Angelus address to thousands of worshippers in St Peter's Square in the Vatican City. He appealed for an immedi-

ate ceasefire to end the 'grave situation', citing Mr Putin's leadership directly for the first time. This terrible, inconceivable wound of humanity,

instead of healing, continues to shed even more blood, risking to spread further,' the pontiff said.

That humanity again finds itself before the threat of atomic war is absurd. I deeply deplore the grave situation that has arisen in recent days, with further actions contrary to the principles of international law. It increases the risk of

'Risk of nuclear escalation'

nuclear escalation, giving rise to fears of uncontrollable and catastrophic consequences worldwide.'

The Pope said: 'My appeal is addressed first and foremost to the president of the Russian Federation, imploring him to stop this spiral of violence and death, also for the sake of his own people.

He called on Ukraine's president Volodymyr Zelensky to 'be open to serious proposals to peace' and urged all international leaders to do everything they could to avoid 'dangerous escalation'.

His plea comes as one of Putin's closest allies called for nuclear strikes after Ukraine recaptured the key town of Lyman on Saturday. The defeat came just a day after Putin proclaimed the annexation of nearly a fifth of Ukraine, including Donetsk

where Lyman is located. In a video address, Mr Zelensky vowed: 'Over the past week, the number of Ukrainian flags in Donbas has increased. There will be



A FORMER Miss Ukraine crossed the finish line of the London Marathon yesterday draped in her nation's flag.

Viktoriya Kiose, 29, ran the gruelling 26.2 miles alongside her fiance Kostiantyn Bidnenko and finished in under four hours.

The couple, who fled their homeland last

'You hear the support'

February and have lived here since May, ran to raise money for United24, a Ukrainian foundation. 'When you hear people support you and scream the name of your country, you feel a responsibility not only for yourself, but for your country and people too,' said

By Andy Jehring

Mr Bidnenko, whose partner was Miss Ukraine 2017.

Footballers Jill Scott, Ellen White and Leah Williamson sounded the klaxon to start the event. Among the 42,000 runners were Olympian James Cracknell, 50, BBC newsreader Sophie Raworth, 54, DJ Chris Evans, 56, and McFly's Harry Judd, 36.

The marathon will reclaim its usual slot in April next year, having moved to October due to Covid. The men's race was won by Amos Kipruto in two hours, four minutes and 39 seconds. In the women's race, Yalemzerf Yehualaw won in two hours, 17 minutes and 26 seconds.



Glitz: As Miss Ukraine 2017

even more in a week's time.' Kyiv's recent successes have infuriated Putin and raised concerns over Russian escalation. Ramzan Kadyrov, leader of Russia's southern Chechnya region, wrote: 'More drastic measures should be taken, right up to the declaration of martial law in the border areas and the

Proud: Miss

Kiose holds

before the

race begins

her flag

use of low-yield nuclear weapons.' It comes as Danish authorities said that the Russian-built Nord Stream 1 and 2 gas pipelines had stopped leaking following undersea explosions last week.

Suspicions were raised it was Russian sabotage to put pressure on the West over energy supplies.

Yesterday Defence Secretary Ben Wallace told the Conservative Party conference that Britain will acquire two specialist ships 'to keep our cables and pipelines safe'.

In a move that could trigger more fury in Moscow, nine European Nato states yesterday backed Ukraine's latest bid to join the alli-

ance. The presidents of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Poland, Romania and Slovakia said in a joint statement: 'We do not recognise and will never recognise Russian attempts to annex any Ukrainian territory.'

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Moors landowner's vow to find body of Brady victim 60 years later

EXCLUSIVE

By Rebecca Camber Crime and Security Editor

THE owner of the land where police are searching for Keith Bennett told yesterday how he promised the schoolboy's dying mother Winnie he would never stop looking for him.

Chris Crowther, 65, said he hoped the body of the 12-year-old Moors murder victim would finally be found.

Greater Manchester Police launched a dig on his land on Friday after an amateur sleuth found suspected human remains.

Mr Crowther shares author Russell Edwards' theory that serial killer Ian Brady meticulously planned the burials, placing his female victims on one side of the A635 road and the boys on the other.

Yesterday the farmer revealed for the first time that he too could have

'I never forgot their eyes'

fallen victim to the Moors Murderers, who killed five children. He described how Brady pulled up beside him outside his school in 1963 as he and Myra Hindley were embarking on their killing spree.

Speaking for the first time about the chilling encounter, Mr Crowther said: 'I can always remember waiting for a taxi from St Mary's Primary School in [the nearby village of] Greenfield at about 3.30pm and Brady stopped by the side of me

and looked straight at me as I was waiting for a taxi to come home.

I ran back into school. Those scary eyes, they were looking straight at me. My mother said never speak to strangers.

I had that drummed into me so I ran back into school He just stopped and stared, but I moved away quite quickly.

I told my mum and dad there was a man watching me at the side of the road. I was about six.

Months later he was to encounter Brady again on the moors. He said: I was walking back some sheep

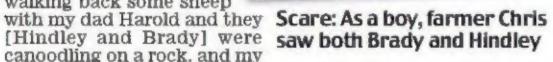
[Hindley and Brady] were canoodling on a rock, and my dad went mad - he told them to go home.

'It was shearing time in 1963. I never forgot his face when he looked at my dad.

'I never forget their eyes, such scary eyes. Myra had a leopard-print coat on, he had his long mac on.

'It was below the farm on the south side, it was within half a mile of the graves. They were only about 20 yards off away from us. I can always remember my dad going off on one, but Brady never spoke back.

I was about the same age as the other children being abducted.' The infamous murders on the 5,000 acres of land, owned by the Crowthers for generations, have left their



mark on the family. He recalls that a family member was nine or ten when John Kilbride was found.

'They started saying, "I heard them. I heard them one night screaming for their life," he said. 'It affected them so badly we had to put them in hospital for about ten days to settle them down.

"They always said that they heard those screams. They tered.' Police found the grave of 12-year-old John in October 1965 with the help of Mr Crowther's grandfather Dan.

The farmer said: My grandad was gathering some sheep up there and his dog

Murdered: Keith Bennett was 12 when he was killed

rolled on John Kilbride's grave. It would not stop rolling and so he went back with a police officer and saw the area and that is where they found John.'

Mr Crowther believes his mother Freda was also fol-

'Heard them screaming'

lowed by a man on the desolate moorland who resembled Brady. He said: 'She was going around the sheep at lambing time and he followed her right near where they found one of the bodies.

her and she ran off home. It

me when she was pretty poorly with cancer. She came up for a cup of coffee and asked me to carry on looking for Keith.

'She said, "When you are gathering sheep, keep looking, keep looking Chris, will you promise me you will keep looking?" I said, "Yeah every time I go out there, I'll look and see what I can see."

'I have always been looking ever since, just for something that was a clue to where Keith was. I've been looking for decades.

'I always said Keith will not be so far away from John Kilbride. He'll have them both together somewhere. He put the girls together and he'll [have] put the lads together.

'He had a burial spot where he got away with it with John, so he is going to go back. When I'm up there on the land it is a bit eerie.

'I always think about it when I am up there. When you are up there with a victim of the Moors murders, it doesn't leave you. I just hope that they find him.

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heard something up there anyway. It affected them very badly. Their nerves were shat-

'A strange man got behind

The dig began after author Russell

Edwards assembled a team of experts. Keith's 66-year-old brother Alan said there were 'hundreds of thoughts running through my mind'.

He added: T'm not saying there is nothing there, what I will say is that I, and many others are confused, to say the very least.' Mr Bennett said he believed Keith's remains would not be found at the site being excavated - but 'nobody can rule anything else out'.

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Police send up drone as search goes on

POLICE searching for the body of Moors murder victim Keith Bennett yesterday deployed a drone as they continued to investigate a report that the skeletal remains of a child had been found.

Forensics teams have been at an isolated spot on Saddleworth Moor since Friday morning after the Daily Mail revealed how a crime author had made the astonishing discovery of what

By James Tozer

experts believe is a child's upper jaw. Last night police said they were going to continue searching the spot 'for the foreseeable time' - but said 'no identifiable human remains' had been found.

Keith is the only victim out of the five murdered by Ian Brady and Myra Hindley around Manchester in the 1960s whose remains have not been located.

CONSERVATIVES IN BIRMINGHAM

Kwasi: We'll get

Chancellor adamant his plan is only way to stop UK's 'managed decline'

THE Chancellor will today insist his plan for economic growth is the right one.

In a crucial speech, Kwasi Kwarteng will tell delegates at the Conservative Party conference in Birmingham: 'We must stay the course.'

Amid alarm at the fallout following his mini-Budget, he will say that a new approach was desperately needed to stop Britain falling out of the ranks of the top developed nations.

And he will promise an 'iron-clad commitment to fiscal discipline' after markets took fright at the lack of an immediate plan to fund his policies and absence of independent scrutiny.

Mr Kwarteng is expected to say: 'We must face up to the facts that for too long our economy has not grown enough. The path ahead of us was one of slow, managed decline. And I refuse

'Economy hasn't grown enough'

to accept that it is somehow Britain's destiny to fall into middle income status, or that the tax burden reaching a 70-year high is somehow inevitable.

Pledging that his approach will deliver higher wages, more jobs and revenue to fund public services, he will declare: 'We must stay the course. I am confident our plan is the right one.'

Mr Kwarteng will tell the party faithful that the combination of skyrocketing energy bills, a 70-year high tax burden and 'painfully slow' building projects would cost livelihoods and communities. Instead, he will claim that his 'new economic deal for Britain', targeting 2.5 per cent GDP growth a year, will lead to a stronger NHS and better schools.

And he will insist his goal is still possible in the face of 'extreme volatility in global markets' and major currencies 'wrestling an incredibly strong US dollar' -countering critiBy Martin Beckford **Policy Editor**

cism that Britain alone is suffering economic turmoil.

Yesterday the fallout from the Chancellor's announcements ten days ago continued as it emerged he had attended a champagne reception with leading bankers, hedge fund traders and stockbrokers just hours afterwards.

Mr Kwarteng went to the Chelsea home of Tory donor Andrew Law on the night of his Commons statement, where wealthy guests encouraged him to keep going with his proposals, The Sunday Times revealed.

At least two leading hedge fund bosses described the Chancellor as 'a useful idiot' after the reception. Some attendees might have profited from the fall in the pound following the mini-Budget, the paper reported. But Mr Kwarteng's presence at the

event was defended by Tory party chairman Jake Berry, who was also invited. He said: 'What we heard there is support for the Government's wider plans for growth and, in truth, that event is just part of the normal sort of drumbeat of events leading ministers have with donors to political parties.'

He said it was a 'good thing' that political parties are not state-funded, and that donors have 'a great role to play in supporting British democracy'.

Mr Berry told Sky News: 'I can categorically rule out that in terms of the address he made to the group of people who were there... he did not give any insight into future plans. And I'm sure in terms of his private conversations he didn't give any.

Liz Truss told the BBC: 'The Chancellor meets business people all the time, that's his job.' And a source close to the Chancellor dismissed any suggestion of impropriety, adding: 'Any suggestion attendees had access to privileged information is total nonsense.'





Criticism: Mr Gove yesterday

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is drowning out all the other vital and urgent things in the Budget.'

In a pre-emptive strike yesterday, Mr Gove said it was 'not Conservative' to use 'borrowed money' to fund scrapping the 45p income tax rate. And Mr Shapps last night echoed his comments. saying the Government should not be handing 'big giveaways to those who need them least'.

Mr Gove's intervention has sparked disputed claims that he is acting as an outrider for Rishi Sunak, who he backed against Miss Truss in the Tory leadership race.

A string of other Sunak-supporting MPs spoke out against the Government's plan to axe the top tax rate after Mr Gove described it as 'a display of the wrong values'.

Writing in The Times today, Mr Shapps, who also backed Mr Sunak, said: 'This politically tin-eared cut, not even a huge revenue raiser

and hardly a priority on the prime ministerial to-do list, has managed to alienate almost everyone, from a large section of the Tory parliamentary party taken by surprise to the City traders who will actually benefit.'

Last night senior Tories warned that Mr Gove's actions could further damage the party, which is already trailing heavily behind Labour in the polls.

One No 10 insider described the former minister as 'deluded'.

Another ally said his decision to tour the conference criticising the Government's programme was 'massively unhelpful, but sadly not a surprise'.

Former Tory leader Sir Iain Duncan Smith accused Mr Gove of serial disloyalty, referring to his role in ousting Boris Johnson from No 10. He said: 'It's Sunday, the first day of conference for a new Tory leader and Michael

Gove is out there stabbing her in the back. Isn't getting rid of one prime minister enough for him?

'Someone needs to confiscate his knives – he is a danger to people and to the party. He said he was leaving politics but it proved too good to be true and he's back again trying to destabilise a new PM.' The row came as:

■ Miss Truss admitted errors were made in the handling of the mini-Budget, saying ministers could have 'laid the ground' better, but insisted she will not change course.

■ Former minister Nadine Dorries accused Miss Truss of throwing Mr Kwarteng 'under a bus' by claiming he alone was responsible for the decision to scrap the 45p income tax rate.

■ The Prime Minister said she would ensure the state pension rises in line with inflation next year - but refused to make the same commitment for benefits.

■ Tory chairman Jake Berry warned that Conservative MPs voting against any aspect of the Budget would be suspended from the party.

■ Two senior Conservatives needed police escorts as they were heckled by protesters shouting 'Tories out' outside the conference yesterday.

Mr Kwarteng's surprise deci-

'Has alienated everyone'

sion to announce the end of the 45p tax rate in last month's emergency mini-Budget was a focal point for Tory critics of Miss Truss last night.

The Prime Minister yesterday said the controversial tax cut, saying was 'part of an overall package of making our tax system simpler and lower'. But she stressed it was a relatively minor Page 7

Britain booming



stressed it was a relatively minor Budget measure compared with the Energy Price Guarantee, which could end up costing £150billion.

In an appearance on the BBC's Sunday With Laura Kuenssberg show, Mr Gove said it was one of a number of 'mistakes' made by the PM and Mr Kwarteng which had left him 'profoundly' concerned. Asked if he would vote for the mini-Budget if it remains unchanged, he suggested he would not, saying: 'I don't believe it's right.'

He continued his criticism during a series of other appearances on the conference fringe, saying: 'It's going to be very, very, very difficult to argue it's right to reduce welfare when we're also reducing tax for the wealthiest.'

A Tory source expressed frustration with Mr Gove's bid to encourage opposition to the tax cut, saying: 'When people have seen the full package, including the supply side reforms to boost growth and the commitment to control debt, we are confident they will feel differently about this - provided they have not already had their heads turned.'

By last night around a dozen Conservative MPs had indicated they would vote against the 45p tax cut. Andrew Bowie, a former parliamentary aide to Theresa May, said Mr Gove was 'right' to describe the unfunded 45p tax cut as 'un-Conservative'.

A friend of Mr Gove denied he was attempting to undermine the Government, and insisted he was not acting on behalf of Mr Sunak or anyone else.

'He is just doing what he thinks is right. I think he is speaking for an awful lot of MPs, but he is not coordinating with anybody,' the source said.

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COMMENTARY by Daniel Johnson

brilliant man, a thoughtful Conservative and one of the most experienced people in British politics. So what was he thinking of yesterday when he trashed Liz Truss and Kwasi Kwarteng's policies on the BBC?

Not only did the veteran minister denounce his own Government's economic plans – pouring particular scorn on the abolition of the top rate of income tax – he even cast doubt on whether he will vote for the Chancellor's mini-Budget when it comes before the Commons.

All that was bad enough. But yesterday, there were reports that the Scotsman – who now finds himself on the backbenches after 12 years in a string of government posts – 'is planning to let off a few grenades' at fringe events at the Tory conference in Birmingham this week.

Here I must appeal to him directly. Michael, don't pull the pins on your grenades – or they'll blow up in your face.

I have known Michael Gove for 25 years, since we worked together at the Times newspaper, and I have followed his political career with admiration.

Unlike so many underachieving ministers, he has left an indelible mark on every department he has run, from prisons to the environment. My own children, like millions of others, benefited directly from his vital reforms as Education Secretary.

So I am the first to state how effective he can be. And that is what makes his current conduct so dangerous and so reckless. Mr Gove is alleged to be the ringleader among a group of 'plotters' seeking to undermine Miss Truss's administration – and even bring about its end.

Let me remind you: Miss Truss has had her feet under the desk at No 10 for less than a month. Even to contemplate ousting her at this point is nothing short of demented. It would lodge in the public's mind the conviction that the Tories were mired in chaos. After four PMs in six years, to anoint a fifth would be suicidal.

Mr Gove may be a dangerous man to have as an enemy.

UT he, of all people, is clever enough to realise that a party at war with itself can never expect to win. Mr Gove initially wanted the talented junior minister Kemi Badenoch to succeed Boris Johnson as leader. After Kemi was eliminated, he threw his weight behind the former Chancellor Rishi Sunak.

I profoundly disagreed with him

on this.

I blame Sunak for letting inflation soar out of control thanks to his excessive spending during the pandemic, and I deplore the fact that this alleged Conservative hiked taxes to their highest level for 70 years.

But whatever your views on all

Ditch the grenades Michael, unity is essential

that, the result of the leadership race is clear. PM Truss beat Mr Sunak – fair and square. The party must now unite behind her — or face its own annihilation.

The markets have been up and down during the past 10 days. But I still believe that the PM and her Chancellor have got their priorities right.

Britain *must* once again become a low-tax, high-growth economy, or we will languish behind our competitors.

From Gordon Brown to the International Monetary Fund, the critics of 'Trussonomics' are almost all slavish followers of the lazy economic orthodoxy that has prevailed since the 2008 financial crash. All well and good—until you remember that our economy has been sluggish for virtually all that time.

I cannot believe that Mr Gove, who articulated the arguments for Brexit better than anyone, is truly afraid of bold and buccaneering economic policies – especially those, like removing the politically popular but economically stupid cap on bankers' bonuses, that are possible only because we left the EU.

Instead of calling such cuts 'a display of the wrong values', Mr Gove should be asking himself what they will achieve.

For an answer, he might look to America, where a number of conservatives, languishing under Joe Biden's wokist redistributive presidency, are hailing Mr Kwarteng's mini-Budget.

One of them is Arthur Laffer, 82, whose celebrated 'Laffer Curve' demonstrated the paradox that certain tax cuts can increase government revenue and thus pay for themselves.

Mr Laffer, known as 'the father of

Reaganomics', said yesterday: 'Your Prime Minister and your Chancellor of the Exchequer are doing the right thing, right away.'

And though it's too soon to be sure, Laffer may already be being vindicated: the pound has bounced back from the doldrums of last week and much of the market panic has subsided.

ND though the chattering classes may be shrieking about the 'tax cuts for the rich', nobody – least of all Mr Gove – is criticising the Government over the energy-bill price cap or for reversing Mr Sunak's hated hikes to National Insurance and corporation tax.

The truth, Michael should not need to be told, is 'Tina': there is no alternative.

The Labour Party has just put on a fine show of unity at its own conference, and Sir Keir Starmer – insofar as his inexpressive face reveals anything – is looking like a man who believes he can win.

The Tory 'plotters' do not want Sir Keir or his nightmarish Lib-Lab coalition anywhere near No 10. As Benjamin Franklin said of his fellow American revolutionaries: 'We must, indeed, all hang together – or, most assuredly, we shall all hang separately.'

If a week is a long time in politics, two years is a lifetime. The Tories can turn the economy round – and win in 2024.

But only if the likes of Michael Gove keep their grenades locked up in their political arsenals, instead of using them to blow up their own side.

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Truss: I failed to prepare around for mini-Budget

LIZ Truss yesterday admitted that mistakes were made in the Government's market-spooking mini-Budget - but insisted she will not change course.

After the fiscal statement sent the pound plummeting, the Prime Minister conceded ministers could have done more to prepare the ground for the sweeping tax cuts.
But she stood by the package

and its timing, despite the ensuing market turbulence and opinion poll fall for the Tories.

'I do want to say to people I understand their worries about what has happened this week,' she told the BBC's Sunday With Laura Kuenssberg yesterday.

'I do stand by the package we announced and I stand by the fact we announced it quickly, because we had to act.

'But I do accept we should have laid the ground better... I have learnt from that and I will make sure that in future we do a better job of laying the ground.'

Miss Truss has come under fire from economists and Conservative MPs over the package with particular anger at the decision to abolish the top 45p rate of income tax.

Furious backbenchers have accused the Government of failing to 'roll the pitch' ahead of the tax-cutting announcements, leaving the public feeling 'frightened instead of reassured'.

Even allies who want her to stick to her guns have demanded that the Government improve the way it communicates economic policy to voters.

One said: 'She has got to play the next few weeks a lot cleverer, and No 10 has got to be a lot cleverer and a lot more inclusive than they have been in the first few weeks. This is a problem of their own making.

The Sunday-morning interview, which followed a series of gruelling appearances on local BBC radio stations last week, came as the Conservative Party conference began in Birmingham.

After a tumultuous week, the Prime Minister addressed the issues that have left a cloud of controversy hanging over her early days in office:

BENEFITS

Miss Truss said she would ensure the state pension rises in line

By Harriet Line **Deputy Political Editor**

with inflation - but refused to make the same commitment for benefits.

The Prime Minister confirmed that ministers are reviewing a commitment made by Boris Johnson to increase benefits in line with inflation next year meaning claimants could see a real-terms cut to their payments.

She said: 'This is something the Department for Work and Pensions Secretary is looking at at the moment. So she [Chloe Smith) will make a determination on that and we will announce that this autumn.'

But Miss Truss was clear that state pensions would rise in line with inflation, saying: T've committed to the triple lock. Yes.'

The triple lock guarantees that the state pension will increase in line with inflation, earnings or 2.5 per cent - whichever is higher.

INTEREST RATES

Miss Truss tried to deflect blame for soaring mortgage bills, saying interest rates were a matter for the Bank of England.

Miss Kuenssberg suggested that the massive government package to help with sky-high energy bills was being wiped out by soaring mortgage rates after the mini-Budget.

But the PM replied: "The interest rates are a key factor in mortgage rates and those are set by the Bank of England and they are somewhat dependent on the global market.

'So Laura, we are not dealing with the issues we're dealing with in isolation, we're dealing with these issues in a world where there's a slowing global economy, where there are rising interest rates, where there is huge inflation, mainly driven by energy caused by Vladimir Putin's war.

'And I as Prime Minister, and the Chancellor, have to deal with that in the way that we think will help people in Britain most get through these very, very difficult short-term circumstances, but put our country on the best longterm footing.'

AUSTERITY

The Prime Minister refused to rule out real-terms cuts to government departmental spending.

Miss Truss said she believes in 'outcomes rather than inputs'. She explained: 'I'm not going to write, you know, future budgets on your show, much as you'd like me to do, but the core principle I believe in is maximising growth in the economy.

'That's why we're pulling all the levers on everything from making our tax system simpler and lower, to also getting projects done quicker, you know, driving reform in our economy as well as we make our public sector more efficient.

'But I'm absolutely committed to delivering great public services for people – that is very, very important.

She added: 'I believe in outcomes rather than inputs. I believe in what people see and what people feel.

'So for example, the Health Secretary has committed that people will be able to see their GP within two weeks. And that's what we're focused on.

'We're focused on how does it feel for a patient, you know, how does it feel for me as a woman walking down the street, do I feel safe at night?

'Those are the things I'm thinking about as Prime Minister. And that's what we're focused on, delivering better public services.

BLAMES KWARTENG

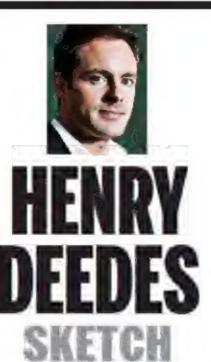
Miss Truss blamed Kwasi Kwarteng for the controversial decision to abolish the top 45p rate of income tax for the highest earners - and revealed she did not discuss the measure with the wider Cabinet.

'No, no, we didn't. It was a decision the Chancellor made,' she told Miss Kuenssberg.

Former culture secretary Nadine Dorries accused Miss Truss of failing to be loyal by 'throwing your Chancellor under a bus on the first day of conference'.

But a source close to the Chancellor, who will speak to the Birmingham conference hall today, said: 'The higher the tax, the more ways people seek to avoid them, work elsewhere, or simply work less.

'As the PM said this morning, the 45p rate raises very little and makes our tax system more complicated. While the Chancellor obviously makes all tax decisions, the Prime Minister and Kwasi are in lockstep on this.'



OR someone who'd spent the past week being deafened by blood-curdling screams from the international markets, Liz Truss was looking remarkably resilient.

The hair was neat, the pose steady, the eyes crystalline and free from puff and bulge. Give it time, her harried predecessors in No 10 might say. In six months, those perky peepers will be drooping from their sockets like aspidistras in a drought.

Fresh from her recent - and not entirely trouble-free - whistlestop tour of regional radio stations last week, the Prime Minister had agreed to appear on Laura Kuenssberg's newish BBCI programme ahead of the Tory party conference in Birmingham.

Broadcast time was the ungodly hour of 8.30am. Is it me, or do these politics shows get earlier every year?

No sooner had Miss Kuenssberg begun to introduce her special guest when, zoik! The screen went dead. Had some fat-fingered studio grunt spilt their matcha latte over the control panel? Had the legions of crusty protesters milling around the conference found a plug to yank from the wall?

Either way, the watching millions of political geeks and Twitter warriors had about 30 seconds of agonised worry. The Beeb later blamed 'technical glitches' for the blackout.

Y the time the feed returned, Liz 'n' Laura were already hard at it discussing struggling households' budgets. Naturally, Chancellor Kwasi Kwarteng's recent fiscal bombshell was much-

dissected. A squiggly graph was produced showing how much the cost of government borrowing had gone up since Kwasi delivered his mini-Budget and Britannia was unchained. Yikes: The line on this thing looked steeper than K2.

Truss remained stoic throughout. She admitted the communication out of Downing Street ahead of the mini-Budget was not



without error. 'We should have laid the ground work better for that,' she said. Later, asked whether she'd informed the rest of the Cabinet about Kwarteng's plan to cut the top rate of tax, she replied with a unapologetic: 'No.' Fair enough, I say.

Kuenssberg tried to needle her, the broadcaster's microphone

Naked criticism

IT should have been a political honeymoon for Liz Truss this week.

Just a month since being anointed as the new Tory leader, and after delivering the biggest tax-cutting Budget in decades, the Prime Minister might reasonably have felt entitled to a warm welcome at this week's Conservative Party conference.

But some guests at this family gathering in Birmingham did not

get the memo. Michael Gove may have pledged to be stepping back from frontline politics, but he has a funny way of showing it.

The former Cabinet minister is due to speak at no fewer than nine fringe events this week, and judging by yesterday's appearances, none of them is likely to be helpful to the Government.

Before the conference had even started he popped up on Laura



Analysis By Jason **Groves**

POLITICAL EDITOR

Kuenssberg's flagship BBC chat show to pass judgment. Whether by accident or design, Mr Gove was positioned directly in Miss Truss's eye line. Every time she looked up, there he was, waiting to deliver a withering verdict.

He did not hold back. Unfunded tax cuts in the emergency Budget were 'un-Conservative', he said.

Miss Truss had made a series of 'mistakes' and it was time for a 'reset'. The decision to axe the 45p top tax rate was 'a display of the wrong values'.

Would he even vote for the

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occasionally catching an exasperated grunt – and even the odd drawn-out sigh of frustration. She kept pressing Truss for answers on what the Government planned to do about benefits or pensions – but not with much success.

Three times Laura sought to get Truss to admit she wanted to

cut public spending. The PM insisted she simply wanted 'value for money for the taxpayer'. Google Translate: There's a lot of waste we can bin.

It was a long and arduous going-over, but the PM just about held it together. The voice remained slow and steady. Occasionally, a facial twitch would betray mild flashes of irritation. Meanwhile, that left arm of her of hers that tends to get animated during discussion was whirring around in circles constantly, as though she was whipping up a mousseline.

It was put to the PM that tax cuts for the well-off made for terrible optics. Truss was fed up of how things looked. Far too much was made of it, she suggested: what matters is results.

As the PM carried on talking, a man with a video camera appeared in the window directly behind, trying to film her. I wondered idly whether one of Truss's bodyguards might jump out of nowhere and zap him

with a Taser. It might have enlivened proceedings.

Finally, Kuenssberg demanded, what happens if the Government's financial plans don't work? Hang tight, was the Trussian message. Her plans would deliver. And if they don't, presumably she'll just sack the Chancellor.

of the new PM did not land well...

Budget? He suggested not, saying: 'I don't believe it's right.'

In a five-minute appearance, Mr Gove effectively appointed himself as leader of the Tory party's Truss-sceptic MPs.

The naked criticism of the new PM on the opening day of her first conference as leader did not land well with her supporters.

One source said: 'Michael Gove is the jackal of British politics, always seeking another carcass to feast on', adding: 'He stabbed Boris in the back on two occasions and now he's at it again with Liz.

'With friends like him, who needs the

Labour Party?'
So what is he up to?

Some allies of the PM believe Mr Gove is seeking to stir up opposition against her in the hope of engineering a situation in which Rishi Sunak would be acclaimed by Tory MPs as her successor, without the need for a leadership contest.

One No 10 insider described the plan as 'deluded', saying: 'If he really thinks he can just manoeuvre Rishi into position without a contest then he is even more deluded than

I thought.' Another Truss ally said: 'He needs to understand that the public will not forgive the Conservative Party if it despatches two leaders in quick succession.'

Mr Sunak is not here in Birmingham, having let it be known that he is skipping the conference to give the new PM 'all the space she needs to own the moment'.

But supporters of the PM believe he has despatched his outriders to do his work for him.

All of this is flatly denied by Mr Gove -

'He is the jackal of British politics'

as is a suggestion from former business minister Anna Soubry yesterday that he still hopes for another tilt at the leadership himself.

One friend of Mr Gove said: 'He is just doing what he thinks is right. I think he is speaking for an awful lot of MPs, but he is not co-ordinating with anybody.

'As for the idea that he is pushing to be

leader himself, it is just nonsense – he has already ruled it out publicly.'

Downing Street is braced for more former ministers voicing criticism in the coming days. George Osborne crept out of the woodwork last night to say it was 'touch and go' whether Kwasi Kwarteng can survive unless he backs down over the 45p top tax rate.

And it's not just Sunak-ites sniffing the possibility that the new PM might fall by the wayside.

Some supporters of Boris Johnson cling to the hope that he could be recalled to office if Miss Truss were to stumble.

Former culture secretary Nadine Dorries, one of Mr Johnson's most ardent admirers, was quick to twist the knife yesterday when Miss Truss appeared to blame Mr Kwarteng for the 45p controversy, saying it was 'a decision the Chancellor made'.

In a message on Twitter, she said: 'One of Boris Johnson's faults was that he could sometimes be too loval.

'However, there is a balance and throwing your Chancellor under a bus on the first day of conference really isn't it.' Rachel Wolf, the co-author of the Tories' 2019 manifesto, said the Truss government 'rejected everything that Boris won the last election on'.

The truth is that jitters about last week's Budget run deep among Tory MPs already nervous they face losing their seats.

One Cabinet minister said Miss Truss had only a 'five per cent chance' of winning the next election, adding: 'Things have gone downhill so fast. It's very hard to see a way back.'

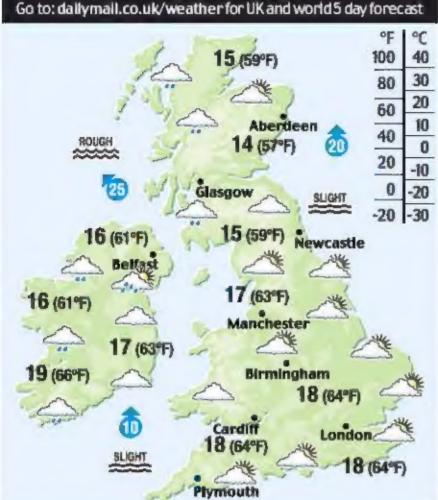
Conservative Party chairman Jake Berry yesterday warned that any MP voting against the 45p cut would be suspended from the party – but his statement only prompted more potential rebels to come forward publicly.

At ten past four this afternoon, Mr Kwarteng will rise to address the conference, in the most closely watched conference speech by a Chancellor for many years.

If he and Miss Truss are to have any chance of winning over their rebellious MPs – let alone the public and financial markets – it had better be good.

Weather

Go to: dailymail.co.uk/weather for UK and world 5 day forecast



Summary: Partly cloudy

UK TODAY: Generally fine weather in England and Wales, clouds might build up in the afternoon. An unsettled evening for Scotland and NI, mostly cloudy. Max 18c.

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By David Barrett, Jason Groves and Harriet Line

MINISTERS are planning to create an intelligence unit to track prisoners' illegal online posts in the wake of a scandal involving one of Stephen Lawrence's killers.

The Daily Mail revealed last week how, in an astonishing breach of prison security, murderer David Norris acquired a smartphone and used it to post sickening selfles from his cell.

He even used the device to launch a foul-mouthed tirade against former justice secretary Dominic Raab.

Now ministers want to create a specialist team to seek out online posts by inmates. It will gather information by scanning social media platforms in a bid to lead prison officials straight to inmates who are breaking the rules.

The project is likely to involve the National Crime Agency, dubbed 'Britain's FBI', police and even the security services, it is understood.

'Online bragging used against them'

The scheme will probably use the same technology that is deployed to combat online paedophiles and terrorists, it is thought.

Prisoners are banned from having mobile phones in order to prevent them from intimidating victims and witnesses, or running criminal empires from behind bars.

In a separate development, ministers are also understood to be considering a review of prisoners' access to games consoles after a cell selfie posted by Norris showed an Xbox in the background.

'We're not suggesting prisoners should languish in their cells with just a book, but there has to be a proper balance,' a Government

source said. One of Britain's most notorious killers, Norris was convicted of 18-

year-old Stephen's 1993 murder at a bus stop in Eltham, south-east London. He and his racist gang targeted the aspiring architect because of the colour of his skin.

The 46-year-old prisoner brazenly posted a picture of himself in his cell wearing Top Gun-style sunglasses and with his TV and games console.

He also launched a WhatsApp rant against Mr Raab, who blocked his bid to move to an open prison.

Norris wrote: 'Dom Raab your [sic] f***** c*** cos the Nozza is defo home in two [years] and High Court now agrees. Get that party sorted girls cos I be there soon.'

A whistleblower said Norris bragged to fellow inmates that he was the gang member who stabbed Stephen to death. If true, this is a significant revelation because police are still



From last Wednesday's Daily Mail

Staff over 50 'vanishing'

HUGE numbers of Britons in their 50s have failed to return to work since the pandemic, prompting alarm within Government.

A minister admitted vesterday that the drop is a 'big worry area'. Some older employees are thought to have long Covid while others have reassessed their work-life balance. Work and Pensions minister Victoria

Prentis told a conference fringe meeting: 'We need their skills, we need their experience... we desperately need them back.'

Crackdown

on jail web

posts after

She called on bosses to offer more flexibility. According to the Office for National Statistics, there were 386,096 more 'economically inactive' adults aged 50 to 64 this spring than before Covid struck.

uncertain who wielded the knife. His breach of the rules could result in him having his minimum jail term of 14 years and three months extended by up to two years.

The former gangster's son was placed in the segregation unit at Category C Dartmoor Prison - effectively in solitary confinement - pending an investigation.

Specialist X-ray scanning equipment later discovered a smartphone hidden inside an intimate part of Norris's body.

Ministers are believed to reluctantly accept that illegal items, including phones, will find their way into prisons.

Contraband is thrown over jail walls, flown in by drone or even smuggled into the prison by corrupt staff.

Tracking down online posts by prisoners would reduce the importance of speculative cell searches. Prisoners' online bragging would instead be pro-actively traced – and used against them.

It could even provide material for new prosecutions, it is thought.

■ The Prison Service has invested £125million over the last two years in 'transforming the way prisons prevent drugs and mobile phones from getting in'. A spokesman said the plan involved signal blocking technology and 75 high-resolution X-ray body scanners covering all male prisons.

A separate drug test regime aimed at cutting reoffending will come into effect today.

All offenders sent to live in 'halfway house' bail hostels will be tested randomly once a week under the rigorous £1.2million scheme.

It will focus on criminals whose offences are linked to drug habits, such as burglars who steal to feed their addictions. Failing a test could result in being sent back to jail.

Pledge to combat 'cancel



Reforms: Suella Braverman

A MAJOR shake-up of human rights laws will combat socalled cancel culture and set out protection for free speech, the Justice Secretary said yesterday.

Brandon Lewis made the pledge amid concern that unelected judges were developing European-style privacy laws by the back door.

He said: 'We need to ensure we have a system of human rights that doesn't create or give cover for cancel culture. We need to do everything we By **David Barrett** Home Affairs Editor

can to protect freedom of speech, even when it can be really, really annoying.

'We can't allow people to claim their human rights are being infringed because they disagree with us.

'I fundamentally agree in people's right to offend.'

He added that allowing free speech and debate to be restricted would leave society 'trapped in one person's world view, which is very, very dangerous'.

A Bill of Rights to replace Labour's Human Rights Act was published by Boris Johnson's government this year -

'Protect freedom of speech'

but it has gone back to the drawing board to ensure it combats the issue of Channel migrants being trafficked from France in small boats.



Safety first: Jacob Rees-Mogg receives a protective police guard as he is heckled by protesters on arrival at the Conservative Party conference in Birmingham yesterday

Police escort to get Mogg past protests by hate mob

By Kumail Jaffer Political Reporter

TWO senior Tories were heckled by furious protesters outside the Conservative Party conference yesterday and had to be escorted by police officers into the venue.

Footage showed Business Secretary Jacob Rees-Mogg and Lichfield MP Michael Fabricant being angrily confronted by activists in Birmingham on the opening day of the event.

Shouts of 'Tories out' and 'shame on you' rang out as the two politicians walked into the conference centre, while a simultaneous anti-Tory protest was held by a Left-wing campaign group nearby.

Speaking afterwards, both Mr Rees-Mogg and Mr Fabricant defended the right of the demonstrators to make their views heard

The Business Secretary, who faced a hostile reception as he crossed Victoria Square in Birmingham city centre yesterday morn-



Banner bearers: Activists get behind their message outside the conference centre

ing, played down the protests as a 'fact of democracy'. He told Sky News: 'There have been protests at Tory conferences since time immemorial, it's nothing new. They're shouting but it's perfectly peaceful. And the right to peaceful expression of your view is fundamental to our constitution.'

Last night Mr Fabricant denied sugges-

tions that he was attacked or pushed over on his way into the centre, but said he took an air horn off a noisy demonstrator.

He added that he was not physically targeted but 'directed wrongly right into the middle' of the protesting crowd.

Mr Fabricant tweeted: 'I think the protesters thought I was deliberately provoking

them. But no one touched me. Just shouted abuse. They were just loud!

'One protester tried to blow a plastic horn in my ear while I was walking. I asked him to stop, but he refused. So I grabbed his horn and threw it away. I think he was more shocked than me!

'As far as I could see, the crowd was noisy but self-disciplined. We live in a democracy and people have every right to protest.'

Campaign group The People's Assembly organised a rally to protest the conference in Victoria Square yesterday. The line-up included RMT boss Mick Lynch and former shadow minister Laura Pidcock, They said: 'The people of Birmingham sending a clear message to Jacob Rees-Mogg.'

As speakers took to the stage, there were chants of 'Tories are not welcome here' and "Tory scum out of Brum".

Labour MP for Birmingham Yardley Jess Phillips urged calm before the conference, saying: 'Remember that Tories are currently protesting themselves and need to be allowed to dance on the head of that pin.

Vitriol will be a gift to them. Let all the protest be peaceful.'

culture' in human rights shake-up

Mr Lewis told a fringe event set up by the Policy Exchange thinktank at the Conservative Party conference yesterday that he and Home Secretary Suella Braverman were working on reforming human rights laws to boost deportations.

He added: 'This Government is determined to make sure we are dealing with the issues around illegal immigration.'

Mr Lewis indicated that the previous Bill of Rights plans were likely to be broken down into smaller packages to get them through Parliament, adding: 'We'll probably do it in different pieces of legislation.'

It is understood a separate package will set out how decisions by UK courts supersede rulings by the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg, and that Parliament has supreme authority in law-making.

'We do need to be clear that Parliament is sovereign and if Parliament has expressed a view through legislation then the courts have always kept to that view when implementing the law

that has been passed,' he said. His remarks came after Mrs Braverman said she would reform the Modern Slavery Act, which has allowed Channel migrants to

'Adopt old-school policing'

delay deportation by claiming they had been exploited.

There have been huge attempts to try to stop the problem and I feel we are at a stage now where we need to take dramatic action,'

Mrs Braverman told The Sun. 'The problem has gone out of control for a variety of reasons.

'A majority of people coming here from Albania - some 80 per cent - who are coming across on small boats are claiming to be victims of modern slavery... regardless of the fact that they may have paid tens of thousands of pounds for the privilege of being a so-called modern slave.

'That's also regardless of the fact that they will have actively sought to come to the UK through an illegal, illicit and dangerous method. So it's being abused.' She indicated she would raise the evidence threshold for slavery claims and introduce time limits.

She also said some police forces had been 'captured' by woke groups and tended 'to pander to political correctness... and a lack of courage to adopt old-school policing'. She added: 'I want to encourage police to get back to investigating every burglary, making sure antisocial behaviour, car theft, drugs, graffiti, vandalism is jumped on instantly."

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As man is in court charged with murder of schoolgirl, police vow:

love the show so much has been a joy.'

We'll find everyone linked to horrific gun death of Olivia, 9

POLICE chiefs have pledged to track down everyone who tried to 'protect and shield' the gunman who killed nine-year-old Olivia Pratt-Korbel after a man was charged with her murder.

Thomas Cashman, 34, appears before magistrates today accused of murdering the schoolgirl and attempting to murder her mother, Cheryl.

Olivia was at her home in Dovecot, Liverpool, on August 22 when convicted burglar Joseph Nee, 35, ran through her front door as he By **James Tozer**

tried to flee a gunman who had opened fire outside.

The killer followed Nee through the door and fired a shot from a revolver that hit Olivia's mother in the arm and then struck the schoolgirl in the chest.

Nee was also wounded after being shot with another weapon, a 9mm Glock handgun.

On Saturday, prosecutors announced that Cashman, from the West Derby area of Liverpool, had been accused of murdering Olivia as well as two counts of attempted murder in relation to

her mother and Nee. He has also been charged with two counts of possession of a firearm to endanger life.

In addition, Paul Russell, 40, also from West Derby, was charged

'Supplying and hiding weapons'

with assisting an offender. Detective Chief Superintendent Mark Kameen, head of investigations at Merseyside Police, said the probe continued 'in earnest' despite the charges being brought.

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'At the beginning of the investi-

gation, we were firm in our commitment to finding all of those involved in this case,' he added.

'This includes the people who tried to shield and protect individuals, and those who supplied the weapons, and indeed those who are hiding the weapons used in this attack.'

He said that while the police appeal had received an 'overwhelming response', detectives still needed people to come forward to tell them what they knew.

Despite tip-offs leading to searches of West Derby golf course and Yew Tree Cemetery, the murder weapon and the other gun have yet to be found. Last month, the reward offered in the hunt for her killer was increased to £200,000—the biggest single reward offered by Crimestoppers. The charity's chairman, Lord Ashcroft, said the case had been 'incredibly shocking' not just for Olivia's family, 'but for Liverpool and the nation'.

'We need every effort to find those involved in this appalling killing,' he added.

Nine men have previously been detained over Olivia's death, all of whom were later bailed.

Olivia's funeral was held last month at St Margaret Mary's Catholic Church in Knotty Ash.

King's first state visitor revealed

By Rebecca English Royal Editor

THE King and Queen Consort are to host their first state visit at Buckingham Palace next month.

Charles and Camilla will welcome South African President Cyril Ramaphosa and First Lady Dr Tshepo Motsepe from November 22 to 24.

The visit is understood to have been in the early stages of planning when the

late Queen died.

She met Mr Ramaphosa when he came to London in 2018 for a Commonwealth heads of government meeting, and she gave him letters sent to her by former president Nelson Mandela.

The state visit next month will be the first since former US president Donald Trump came to Britain in 2019.

The Emperor of Japan was meant to come in 2020, however it was called off as a result of the pandemic.

Normally, visiting heads of state would set up residence at Buckingham Palace, but it is not clear whether this will be possible because major building work is being carried out at the monarch's official London home.

The last visiting head of state to have stayed at Buckingham Palace was King Willem-Alexander of the

Netherlands in 2018.

President Trump stayed over-night with the US Ambassador at his official residence in London when he came to visit – much to the leader's disappointment.

State visits are a crucial part of the royal family's role in promot-



Royal welcome: The late Queen greets Cyril Ramaphosa

ing Britain abroad and strengthening international relationships. Foreign heads of state are hosted by the monarch amid great pomp and ceremony, with full military honours and lavish banquets.

The visits are considered a prime example of the monarchy's power of 'soft diplomacy'. All state visits are undertaken at the request of the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office.

The timing of the trip, which will have been pencilled in for several months, comes at a difficult time for President Ramaphosa, who faces calls for his impeachment.

Former South African spy

Iruss gets her

way as charts

agency boss Arthur Fraser has filed a criminal complaint against Mr Ramaphosa, accusing him of money laundering and bribery to cover up a burglary at his game farm in February 2020.

It is alleged that £3.5million in illicit US dollars was stolen, before the suspects were caught, interrogated and paid off to keep the presence of undeclared foreign currency secret.

The president, who came to power on an anti-corruption ticket, has confirmed that there was a theft at his farm but has denied wrongdoing. Law enforce-

A prime example of 'soft diplomacy'

ment agencies are investigating. But the National Assembly of South Africa has appointed an independent panel to make a preliminary assessment of whether Mr Ramaphosa should face an impeachment inquiry over alleged misconduct related to the theft.

South Africa is a long-standing member of the Commonwealth, having joined in 1931. It left in 1961, only to rejoin in 1994.

Buckingham Palace said last night: 'The President of the Republic of South Africa, President Cyril Ramaphosa, accompanied by Dr Tshepo Motsepe, has accepted an invitation from His Majesty the King to pay a state visit.'



by Richard Kay

EDITOR AT LARGE

LL over the world yesterday, the first official portrait of King Charles with Queen Consort Camilla was being studied with affection and fascination.

Affection because rarely has Charles looked so at ease in a formal photograph, and fascination because with

William and Kate, the new Prince

and Princess of Wales, at his side, we

have a glimpse of the present and

future of the monarchy. Observers will search for clues about everything from its composition and backdrop to what it tells us about the long-term security not only of the Royal Family but, more pertinently, of the institution that

they represent. The photograph is brimming with symbolism of course: the new sovereign is pictured with his son and heir, while looming behind them is a glowering portrait of King George III, the longest-reigning male monarch in British history.

But what is perhaps even more remarkable is that the picture was taken on the eve of the Queen's funeral, when our four most senior royals were about to host a huge reception for visiting Heads of State, including US President Joe Biden, at Buckingham Palace.

The message, if one was needed,

It is a reminder the royals are always on duty'

was clear: the business of monarchy never rests, even at times of great personal sorrow, and its enduring

strength lies in its continuity However it is also a reminder that the royals are always on duty – even when they have to summon every inch of self-control, as they did during the public grieving for the Queen who for them was a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother as

well as the monarch. Palace sources said that the picture had been taken to mark a 'historic moment' for the family. But there was more than just history on display here.

The body language of all four is surprisingly relaxed. It speaks of warmth and acceptance. The taller William and Kate may physically dominate, but the eye is drawn to the new King, a pace closer to the camera, and wearing an easy confidence.

For once, those cuff-tugging mannerisms and general fidgeting so familiar from any number of ceremonial portraits are absent.

One hand rests comfortably behind Camilla's back while the other is casually thrust into his jacket pocket. But it is the hint of a smile on his

face that is the most telling. It is the

look of a man who is not daunted by what lies ahead - but rather is invigorated by it. There is another significant factor here too. And it is a not-so-subtle

nod to his wishes for a slimmed-down

monarchy: one he believes will be

By Claire Duffin and Rebecca English

KING Charles will not attend the Cop27 climate summit after being advised to stay away by Liz Truss.

The monarch was reportedly planning to make a speech at the meeting of world leaders in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt, in November.

But the Prime Minister, who will also not attend, objected to his plans during an audience at Buckingham Palace last month.

It comes amid growing suspicion that the Government is planning to water down or even abandon its target of 'net zero' carbon

'Not right for his first overseas visit'

emissions by 2050. The Palace said advice had been sought by the King and was given by Miss Truss. 'With mutual friendship and respect there was agreement that the King would not attend,' the Palace said.

But the decision is likely to have disappointed the King, who as Prince of Wales

had a long history of campaigning to reduce the effects of climate change. As heir to the throne he also had a reputation for interfering in government business, most recently expressing his distaste for the Government's plan to send illegal immigrants to Rwanda.

After the death of his mother, friends insisted he will not cool on the issue of global warming.

But as monarch he is obliged to remain politically neutral, and in his address to the nation after the Queen's death, he acknowledged that 'it will no longer be possible to give so much time to the ... issues for which I care so deeply'.

Before his ascension to the throne last month, King Charles had indicated he would attend the 27th UN Climate Change

attend Cop27 Conference, known as Cop27, which will run from November 6

A source told the Daily Mail there had never been any firm plans for the King to go, though he has attended previously, leading to speculation he would again this year. As all foreign visits are undertaken at the request of the British Government, advice was sought by the Palace

The 'unanimous' decision, it has been suggested, is that with so many demands for the King to be deployed abroad, Cop27 would not be the 'right occasion' for his first overseas

visit as sovereign. Sources highlighted his address to the nation following his mother's death, in which he stressed that he remains 'ever mindful' of his constitutional role in light of his change of circumstances.

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As previously highlighted by the Daily Mail, it is understood that the environment will remain central to his work as sovereign.

In 2015, he delivered the opening address at Cop21 in Paris, describing climate change as the greatest threat facing humanity.

In a hard-hitting speech the King echoed Winston Churchill by calling on 'the few' to take action to save the planet, urging world leaders to commit 'trillions, not billions, of dollars'.

He also delivered a speech at the opening ceremony of Cop26 in Glasgow last year, calling on world leaders to adopt a 'warlike footing' to deal with climate change. Although he will not attend Cop27 in person, it is understood he is still determined to make his presence felt, leaving the door open for a virtual appearance.

Conservative MP Tobias Ellwood said in a tweet that he hoped the King would be allowed to go to Egypt, adding that he was a 'globally respected voice' on the environment whose attendance would add 'serious authority' to the British delegation.

While Boris Johnson became an enthusiastic advocate for net zero. Miss Truss is thought to be more sceptical of the green agenda.

A government source said: 'The Palace and the Government considered separately, and then agreed jointly, that... he is not going to be attending Cop.'

Two charged with 'assault on Andrew heckler'

TWO MEN have been charged with assault after a protester who heckled Prince Andrew as he walked behind the Queen's coffin was allegedly 'thrown to the ground'.

The men, both aged 34, were arrested following the incident on the Royal Mile in

Edinburgh on September 12. Video footage appeared to show the mourners stepping in after the Duke of York was 'verbally abused' while walking behind his mother's coffin.

At the time, a 22-year-old protester was charged with a breach of the peace. He is due to appear at court at a later date.

arrests. A Police Scotland spokesman said: 'Two men, both aged 34, have been arrested and charged in connection with assault, following an incident on the Royal Mile. A report will be sent for the consideration of the Procurator Fiscal.'

But police have now confirmed the further

The picture that tells Harry and Meghan: There's no way back

New royal order: King Charles

more relevant and more resilient. Some will wonder if this is not just slimming down, but cutting to the bone. The unspoken elephant in the room is the absence of the King's younger son.

Three years ago, Prince Harry and his wife Meghan would have had every expectation to be part of this family expectation

this family ensemble.

Indeed, only four years ago, there was just such a photograph issued to mark the then-Prince of Wales's 70th birthday

But, within months, the unity and happiness that radiated from that image had vanished

So it is not difficult to imagine how this picture will be viewed in sunny California, where the Duke and Duchess of Sussex are based. Might it deepen their feelings of



Mourning: Duke and Duchess of Sussex were at Queen's funeral

exclusion and exile, or will it merely tre of their own production

exclusion and exile, or will it merely serve to remind them why they chose to break from the family in the first place?

It surely can be no coincidence that the picture was taken when the couple were still in Britain and several days before they returned home to their children Archie and Lilibet. It must, therefore, be yet another signal that they will never again return to their central role in royal life.

One reason that they chose to walk away in the first place was because they did not wish to share the spotlight.

In America, they are at the cen-

tre of their own production. But in Britain, there is a new royal order - and it revolves around four people, not six.

smiles for the official photograph with the Queen Consort, and the Prince and Princess of Wales

HERE is a finality about this photo that suggests there is no way back for a couple who could have been at the epicentre of royalty, but are now at its margins.

Is it the dagger to their hearts it was for Prince Andrew when he was first excluded from the Palace

balcony? It certainly feels like it.

Over the years the Queen often

curated the photographs around her when she spoke to the nation for her Christmas message. She did so in 2019, when on her desk were pictures of her own father and Charles, but also William and Prince George. Here, it said, was monarchy past, present and future. The omission of Harry was said to have contributed to his break from the family just weeks later.

Rather than photographs, King Charles commandeered the art on the walls of his new palace home for this image – and he selected carefully. Choosing as backdrop a king who reigned for 60 years was another nod to the permanence –

and preservation – of monarchy.

It is a lesson Prince Harry could do well to study, because every royal picture tells a story

Harry's summit snub to Wills 25

Disunited Tories will reap electoral disaster

IN political circles, it is joked that a government that isn't trailing in the polls halfway through the electoral cycle is not doing its job correctly.

One doubts, however, that Liz Truss and

Kwasi Kwarteng are laughing.

Not even in their worst nightmares could they have imagined capping energy bills for families and businesses - one of the biggest government handouts in history - and leaving more money in people's pockets through tax cuts, only to see their party's popularity plunge vertiginously.

Their handling of what was a commendable mini-Budget panicked the money markets. That was perceived to have contributed to rising mortgage costs, which left many fearful they wouldn't be able to pay for their homes. The PM and Chancellor have risked imperilling one of the Conservatives' greatest strengths - their reputation for economic competence.

So the party conference in Birmingham is critical for this nascent administration.

They must convince activists, the wider electorate and global investors that the British economy is in safe hands.

Miss Truss was right to admit making mistakes. But she and Mr Kwarteng were equally correct to vow to stay the course.

Trussonomics is a breath of fresh air. blowing away the cobwebs of the failed economic orthodoxy. Defibrillating the sluggish economy will turbocharge growth, incentivise hard work, increase wages and bring in more money for public services.

After years of politicians who change their minds with the wind, it is refreshing to have leaders who believe being right is more important than being popular.

To show that the Tories are competent though, it is imperative MPs get behind Miss Truss and not just to stab her in the back. The disloyalty of Michael Gove, who spent

yesterday gleefully denouncing his own Government's policies, is sickening.

The former Cabinet minister appears to be orchestrating a plot to undermine or even oust Miss Truss, involving MPs still rankled by Rishi Sunak's leadership defeat.

His claim her agenda is 'not Conservative' is hogwash. Tax cuts are Conservative, Mr Gove. What is not, is putting the economy into a coma and making it a crime to visit a dying relative in hospital or at home - as he argued for during Covid.

Those treacherous Tories are playing with fire. A party at war with itself can never

expect to win an election.

Don't they realise the days of Labour being the hopeless circus act they were under Jeremy Corbyn are gone? They now resemble a functioning opposition. Yes, Sir Keir Starmer is a Grade-A dud, but the tumult has refashioned him in the eyes of many voters as a feasible PM.

Should the Tories implode, we risk a diabolical hard-Left alliance of Labour, the SNP and the Lib Dems seizing power.

Do the conspirators really want that? Brexit would wither, and the economy, the Union, and all we cherish would be ruined.

The tomfoolery must stop. The Conservative Party needs to show unity: Of purpose, of message and of approach.

Time to act on borders

WERE there prizes for stating the obvious, the Home Secretary would have yesterday put herself in line for the gold medal.

The Channel migrants crisis, said Suella Braverman, was 'out of control'. Truly, did anyone not realise?

Already this year, 33,000 have reached our shores illegally in smugglers' dinghies.

So we hope Mrs Braverman's plan to reform the disastrous Modern Slavery Act, making it harder for illegal immigrants and foreign criminals (helped by activist lawyers) to thwart deportation, gets results.

The Left will inevitably how with outrage. But voters want the Government to enforce strict border controls not oversee an

immigration free-for-all.

Russia's forces are approaching mutiny -and when that happens, Putin goes the way of the Tsars

EW nations have as deep a sense of their own history as the Russians. Indeed, it was on the basis of a tendentious tract about the historic 'unity' of Russians and Ukrainians that President Putin justified his invasion of an independent neighbouring state.

But another word, also with great resonance in Russian history, now hangs over the Kremlin's flailing military campaign. And that word is: Mutiny.

Remarkably, it was raised on Moscow's main TV channel last week by the woman described as Putin's propagandist-inchief, Margarita Simonyan, during the nightly discussion programme on the state of the 'special military operation'.

The striking-looking Simonyan is the head of RT, the Kremlin's Englishlanguage broadcasting network (now banned in the UK); but here she was speaking to a Russian audience.

She was raging about the incompetence with which Putin's 'partial mobilisation', announced on September 21, was being carried out, and the gross inadequacy of the provisions being supplied to the hundreds of thousands being called up to fight: 'Students, people with serious illnesses, single mothers, people as old as 62 ... and being handed rotten things, no helmets or body armour.'

Criticism

She warned the heads of the armed forces: 'Comrade Commanders: don't

anger the people!

And now came the reference to historic precedent. Simonyan told the 'commanders' to remember the mutiny on the Battleship Potemkin during the Russo-Japanese war of 1905, which was provoked by the fact that all the meat available to the crew had been maggot-infested.

'Let me remind you that in 1905, small things like that led to the first mutiny of an entire military unit in the history of our country. Is that what you want?'

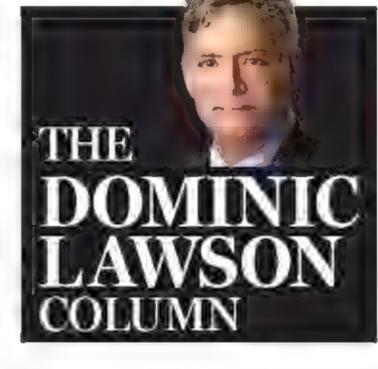
She exempted Putin from all criticism, of course, and praised her ultimate boss for taking 'the very heavy load of responsibility solely upon himself'. I doubt that would have comforted the increasingly deluded occupant of the Kremlin.

Like the invasion of Ukraine, the 1905 Russo-Japanese war saw the much larger country suffer from a series of blunders based on an exaggerated sense of its own military capability — and, to some astonishment, the Japanese won.

The Potemkin mutiny was put down, but the privations and humiliations linked to that conflict led to uprisings in Russia itself — known as the 1905 Revolution The result was that the Tsar was forced to concede political reforms, including the inauguration of multi-party elections.

Lenin and the Bolsheviks saw the Potemkin mutiny as an inspiration for their own seizure of power in 1917.

They commissioned the Soviet director Sergei Eisenstein to make a film about this historic event. Battleship Potemkin, first screened in 1925, became the totemic account for the masses of why 'the workers' rise up against the oppressive commands and callousness of their masters. In 1917,



there were occasional mutinies among the ill-equipped Russian army, almost two million of whose soldiers perished in the Great War. But the mutiny that did for Tsar Nicholas — who had taken personal command of the army in 1915 was in the garrison in Petrograd (now St Petersburg).

The soldiers refused to obey the Tsar's orders to suppress uprisings in that city, and, in short order, a 'provisional government' was set up, with the Tsar abdicating the following day, March 15.

It was the next year that Nicholas II and his family met their grisly fate — shot dead and bayoneted by the Bolsheviks.

The revolutionaries' overthrow of the provisional government was, again, assisted by mutiny among the army, whose troops had been won over by Lenin's promise to abandon the war.

Clearly, the slaughter in Ukraine is on nothing like the scale of World War I. But the reason Putin, with evident reluctance, felt forced to call up hundreds of thousands more is that so many of his best troops had already been slaughtered.

Morale is desperately low, even before still worse-equipped and less battle-ready forces are pressed into fighting a Ukrainian army furnished with some of Nato's most lethal weaponry and which has recently achieved stunning victories.

Corpses

It is not sympathy with the people of Ukraine that has caused tens of thousands of able-bodied Russian males to flee the country over the past week, but fear that they, too, once conscripted, would soon become part of the next layer of corpses on Ukrainian soil.

And in Dagestan, a republic in which 99 per cent of the population had supposedly voted for Putin, and where a disproportionate number of young men have been called up, there have been demonstrations by mothers holding banners declaring: 'Our children are not fertiliser!'

Last week, the New York Times published extracts from thousands of intercepted personal calls made in March by Russian troops as they were forced back from the suburbs of Kyiv.

The NYT had been passed the recordings by the Ukrainian security agencies, but published them only now because the paper had spent months checking that all the phone numbers and identities were genuine. Here is a selection, edited to take out some of the (understandable)

profanities. Nikita, to his mother: 'Sixty per cent of the regiment is gone already." Yevgeny, to his partner: 'No one is left from my Kostroma regiment.'

Sergey, to his mother: "There were 400 paratroopers. And only 38 survived ... because our commanders sent soldiers to the slaughter.' Sergey to his girlfriend, explaining why they'd shot their captives in Bucha rather than keep them as prisoners: 'We would have had to feed them, and we don't have enough food ourselves.'

A similar selection had been published a month ago by the Kylv Post, which gave more details of the fury of Russian troops with their own officers (very much in the spirit of the Potemkin mutineers).

They talk about flatly refusing to fight which helps explain why thousands of Russian troops had simply fled from Ukrainian forces in the Kharkiv region, leaving vast amounts of munitions and armour behind them.

An intercepted call dated September 2 reveals a Russian soldier telling a relative: 'In our unit, they're going to get together, they're going to go to [the senior commander] Zavatsky, and lay down their arms ... all the infantry, it looks to me, they couldn't give a s*** any more about anything.'

Humiliating

Other recorded conversations between Ukrainian soldiers show how surprised, and even shocked, they had been by the ease with which they had killed the Russian invaders: the most recent one involves the battle for the control of the strategic hub of Lyman in Donetsk, which Ukraine recaptured over the weekend.

This was especially humiliating for Putin, as he had only just declared that region to be a part of Russia, following one of his phony referendums.

What follows is harrowing: 'Lots of dead Russians. Like hunting squirrels in a pecan orchard ... We cut them down before they knew what was happening. They had little ammo, no med kits, very little food ... I came away shaking like a leaf, not scared, just "wired" and sick of killing people.

By all accounts, Putin, who has increasingly taken personal control of military planning, à la Nicholas II, had resisted his officers' request to retreat earlier from Lyman. This latest slaughter of Russians is on him, and him alone, even if Margarita Simonyan and others of the Kremlin's propagandists continue to claim that the setbacks — to put it mildly — are the responsibility of the 'commanders' rather than the Commander-in-Chief

But her warnings of 'mutiny' and even a 'Potemkin' moment — rooted in some of the most tumultuous episodes of Russian history are the augury of the end of this

war, if not of Putin's fall.

Russia's troops are not just short of food and the most basic equipment; in the recent call-up, they have even been told to take their wives' and girlfriends' tampons for putting in any wounds they receive, as no tourniquets are available.

Putin sees himself as the successor to his country's most revered rulers notably Peter the Great — in restoring what he regards as territory rightfully Russia's. Instead, he faces the fate of

the last of the Tsars.



Going... going... gone: The giant BOS steelmaking plant dominating the skyline on Teesside is demolished by workers using nearly two tons of explosives

for Singapore-on-Tees?

HE scene before me is like something from the Ukrainian front line. A huge, gnarled, rusting, lifeless steelworks—visible for miles around — stands in the middle of an industrial wastescape, sandbags piled high around its base.
A day later, the whole thing has

vanished: blown to smithereens in a ball of fire and smoke.

If only some of the City spivs and selffulfilling prophets of doom, so eagerly talking down Britain's financial prospects, could have been here to watch the fireworks. For if you want to see what real economic growth looks like, then this is the place to be

I am nowhere near the Black Sea, but next to the North Sea. In fact, I am only a short drive from the North York Moors and James Herriot country.

Nor was this any ordinary demolition. It is believed to have been the largest controlled explosion in Britain

since World War II. Bringing down the average block of flats or redundant industrial chimney stack usually involves pulverising a few thousand tons of brick and concrete. This thing, dominating the skyline for as long as most people can remember, was in a different league. British Steel's former Basic Oxygen Steelmaking (BOS) plant here at Redcar involved 105,000 tons of solid steel and iron. It took nearly two tons of

explosives to bring it down. What's more, this was just one in a series of monster detonations scheduled around here in the

weeks ahead For things are moving fast on Teesside. And thanks to the Government's latest, much-

may be about to move faster still. This former industrial works the largest brownfield site in Europe — is precisely the sort of place that is being proposed as a new 'Investment Zone', strategically designed to get the economy going, with hefty tax and planning breaks for investors. Here, in other words, is the flipside of all the

mocked Budget proposals, they

'These investment plans are going to be hugely beneficial if the Government can get them going fast enough,' says Ben Houchen, the man who pressed the detonator at the weekend's mega-blast. 'These benefits are chunky. I don't

horror headlines that we have

been digesting in recent days.

Blowing up Redcar's historic steelworks clears the way for one of many new Investment Zones' designed to level up deprived areas. But will they work – or will the Whitehall Blob stop them dead?



think people realise how chunky they are. I think too many political commentators get too caught up in all the rhetoric rather than paying more attention to

the economics.

Mr Houchen is the young (35year-old) can-do Conservative Mayor of Tees Valley, the combined authority spanning five council areas of the North East, including Middlesbrough, Hartlepool and Darlington, and almost 700,000 people. He was first elected in this erstwhile Labour stronghold in 2017, long before the phrase 'Red Wall' had entered popular parlance. He was voted in a second time last year with a thumping 73 per cent of the vote, on the back of all the inward investment which has come to the region on his watch.

'People say they want post-Brexit Britain to become "Singapore-on-Thames". Well, we're "Singaporeon-Tees" already,' he says, pointing to the fact that Tees Valley now has Britain's first and, thus far, only operational 'Freeport'. Like Margaret Thatcher's dramatic rejuvenation of London's Docklands during

the 1980s, this is the Brexit-driven are wrong. It sends out the wrong scheme to create ten customs-free. regulation-light industrial areas, first unveiled by then-Chancellor Rishi Sunak in 2020.

Sunak's successor Kwasi Kwarteng has gone further in his not-so-'mini'-Budget by announcing plans for 'Investment Zones' in up to 38 local authority areas, all chosen for their growth potential. They include parts of Teesside. Successful applicants will enjoy even more generous exemptions on stamp duty, business rates, National Insurance and planning rules, subject to a rubber-stamp in Whitehall.

The scheme has only just been announced, but Mr Houchen has already identified four areas for which he will be seeking 'Investment Zone' status.

ROPOSED sites include the town centres of Middlesbrough and Hartlepool plus much of this sprawling ex-steelopolis where Mr Houchen was pressing the button. He is no government patsy. He doesn't mince his words and is quite happy to tell me what was wrong with Mr Kwarteng's Budget.

'What is a failure is that everyone is talking about getting rid of the 45p tax rate and nobody's talking about the billions of subsidy for capping energy bills. The optics

message when people are worrying about turning on the heating,' he says. However, when it comes to the current crisis of confidence, he believes that the Bank of England is 'more to blame than the Budget'.

During the Tory leadership race, he was a staunch supporter of Rishi Sunak whose Richmond constituency is just up the road. Mr Sunak, of course, warned against the sort of tax cuts which Liz Truss and Mr Kwarteng are now championing.

Mr Houchen, however, believes that the media and Labour are so obsessed with doom and gloom that they are incapable of seeing a broader picture. 'People are talking about the turmoil with the Pound but it's back to where it was. Gas wholesale prices are below where they were at the start of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Petrol prices in our town are still very high. But in places they're back down to £1 60 a litre,' he says.

Meanwhile, he says, the potential of these 'Investment Zones', on top of the 'Freeports', should be a 'game-changer' for inward investment.

We are talking at his office inside Teesside International Airport, the loss-making local airport he insisted on buying when he became mayor. It has since become part of the 'Freeport' scheme and is about to receive a £25 million

investment from the U.S. aviation giant Willis, which is planning a new aircraft maintenance operation here. Nearby, plans are taking shape for a new plant making aviation fuel from biomass products.

During this summer's air travel meltdown, Teesside International Airport was an exception. We kept the staff on full furlough so that when we reopened, it was seamless,' says Mr Houchen.

I have had to wait my turn to see Mr Mayor. Our meeting is delayed because a team of private equity investors have dropped by to discuss plans for manufacturing and office developments.

The really plum target, Mr Houchen admits, is to pull in one of the automotive giants and replicate the Nissan plant up the road in Sunderland.

'Over the past three or four years, there has been a regular tick of car manufacturers who go round Europe, he says. 'They look at the UK and for whatever reason they

decide against it. I think if the UK gets its act together on Investment Zones, we could see a number of manufacturers thinking again. I can see us landing at least

one if we have our way.'

E BELIEVES that a prime site for any new car plant would be this sprawling industrial wastescape, now called Teesworks.

I join one of Mr Houchen's team for a tour of a site which used to emit so much smoke that Britain's carbon footprint dropped by 6 per cent when it shut. At 4,500 acres, this complex is three times the size of Gibraltar (and seven times the City of London). There are no signs and no road names. You navigate using the hulks of bygone blast furnaces and chimneys still peppering the horizon.

As far as the eye can see, with the exception of a new waste recycling plant (known locally as 'poo power'), almost everything is

in line for demolition. These works were in decline for years, long before most of the site finally shut down for good in 2015. The Government and the owners of the land (a trio of Thai banks)

'It was costing the Government £25 million a year just to keep it

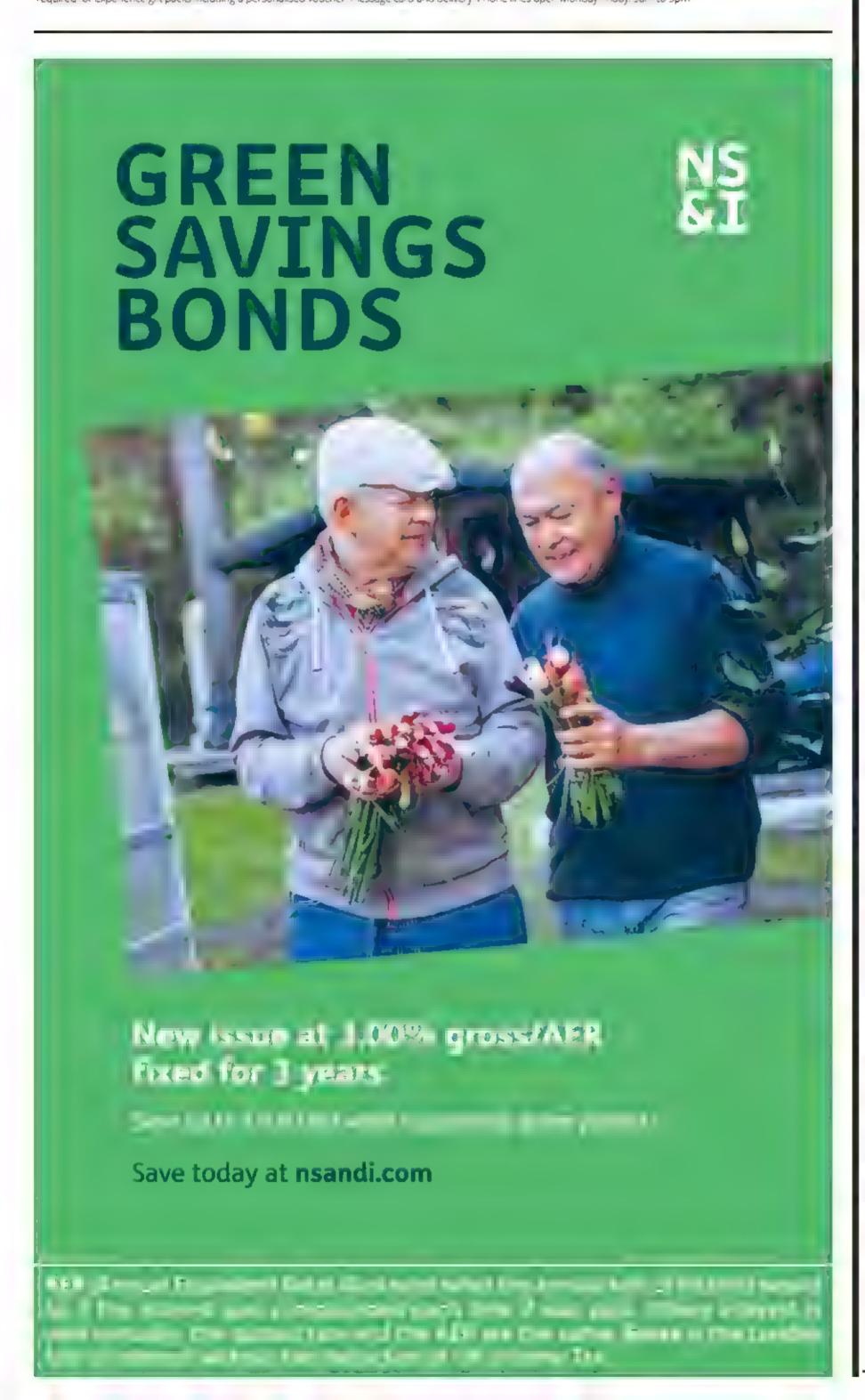
argued about what to do with it.

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Was IMF attack over sacking of Sir Humphrey?

'LARGE and untargeted fiscal package' was the scathing verdict of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on Kwasi Kwarteng's mini-Budget last week: an extraordinary intervention from a body normally charged with rescuing basket-case economies in Latin America.

Ministers were furious. And sources tell me there is a strong suspicion among senior government figures that allies of the ousted Treasury mandarin Sir Tom Scholar might have had something to do with it.

One of Kwarteng's first acts as Chancellor was to sack Scholar, the Permanent Secretary at the Treasury since 2016.

An arch-Remainer who

previously served as David Cameron's 'Adviser for Europe', Scholar epitomised the stuffy economic orthodoxy that Kwarteng and Liz Truss are seeking to overthrow.

But, says my Treasury mole, his defenestration enraged Whitehall: 'Scholar still has a big cadre of supporters. The IMF attack reeked of their revenge."

Lord Moore, Margaret Thatcher's official biographer, agrees.

'I would not be surprised to learn that friends of Sir Tom Scholar... have been expressing their dismay to their friends in the IMF's headquarters in Washington,' he said last week.

IMF managing director Kristalina Georgieva - who served as vice-president of the European Commission — has remained notably silent in the wake of what Lord Moore called the organisation's 'deliberately unfriendly' statement.

Our latest Corbyn nightmayor...

A NEW group calling itself 'Islington Friends of Jeremy Corbyn' is fighting for the disgraced ex-Labour leader to be readmitted to the parliamentary party ahead of the

next election. In 2020, Corbyn had the whip removed after he claimed that reports of vile anti-Semitism in the party had been 'dramatically overstated

- which means he will have to stand as an Independent for his North London seat at the next election. If the campaign fails, Saint Jeremy, 73, is rumoured to be planning to run for

for political reasons'

London Mayor — potentially splitting the Left-wing vote and handing the Tories the capital for the first time since Boris left in 2016.

£IM HELPS TO KEEP THE RED FLAG FLYING

BACK from Liverpool and looking notably self-congratulatory, Sir Keir Starmer has been boasting that Labour has just enjoyed its most lucrative conference in years. I'm told

exhibitors - from Barclays to the giant Unite union - coughed up more than £1 million for the chance to mingle with the comrades.

Talk about trickledown economics!

DISCUSSING the rising cost of living in an interview with ITV News. millionaire Sir Keir whines: 'My mortgage has gone up because we're on a variable rate...by a number of hundreds of pounds.' Don't feel too sorry for him. His three-storey house in North London is easily worth £2.4m — and he bought in 2004, more than enough time to make a dent in the mortgage.

THE BBC has decided not to reschedule the cancelled Last Night Of The Proms originally planned to run two days after the Queen's death. 'Some thought it should have gone ahead as a fitting tribute to Her Majesty, but there's no plan to reinstate it: sadly it would be too costly,' a BBC insider says. But might Auntie's execs be secretly delighted that the stirring show of patriotic flag-waving won't take place this year? You be the judge.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

RICHARD TICE. leader of the Reform Party (which yesterday held its annual conference a mile from the Tories in Birmingham), has zero tolerance for illegal immigration. We should leave the European Court of Human Rights,' says Tice. We must pick migrants out of boats and take them back to France. We can do this legally under the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea laws. Ministers take note: at least someone is proposing radical solutions.

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After coroner's damning verdict in Molly inquest...



By Jim Norton **Technology Editor**

AN Instagram moderator has accused the social media giant of 'cutting costs' when it comes to prioritising safety in the wake of the Molly Russell inquest.

Speaking on condition of anonymity, she said the multi-billion-pound company could do 'much better' to protect children on the platform.

The moderator, who joined a year after 14-year-old Molly died, said most of those posting self-harm content

appeared to be teenage girls. She admitted she was 'not qualified' to deal with mental health issues and told how colleagues had been 'concerned' by the amount of harmful content allowed to remain on the site.

The moderator added: 'I think they still could do much, much better. I feel like they are cutting costs sometimes.

Molly became the first child in the world in which social media was formally found to have contributed to their death on Friday. Following the conclusion, her family released a series of photos of young Molly

The inquest heard how the 14year-old engaged with thousands of self-harm posts in the lead up to her death.

Giving evidence, Instagram owner Meta's head of health and wellbeing Liz Lagone claimed the platform was 'safe' for children and defended its policy of leaving such content up if it was 'admissive'.

Shown the content Molly had interacted with, the senior executive claimed it did not 'promote' self-harm and instead benefited users by letting them



Viewed disturbing content: Molly Russell in a newly released picture. Inset, her father lan

Grieving parents back her family's fight

GRIEVING parents have joined Molly Russell's father's fight to stop social media giants making a fortune while providing children with images promoting suicide and self-harm.

Architect Mariano Janin, whose daughter Mia, 14, died after being bullied online, and Ruth Moss, whose daughter Sophie Parkinson committed suicide at 13 after viewing disturbing internet content, both said yesterday they were supporting TV director lan Russell, 59.

Mr Janin, 58, from north London, told The

Sunday Times: 'lan achieved something important... but we now need to carry on his campaign. I was watching the inquest with tears in my eyes. I know as well the pain lan carried for the last five years because it has happened to me too.' Mia's inquest will continue next year.

Following Sophie's death eight years ago. Miss Moss said she wants online giants, including individual bosses personally, to face prosecution for the role they played, adding: 'Very little has changed since Sophie died.'

'express themselves'. The social media giant changed its policy in 2019 to ban all such material after expert advice said it could 'unintentionally' encourage users to carry out such acts.

The Instagram moderator, who very recently moved to another job within Meta, said they would have to get through around 200 accounts a day - giving them around one to two minutes on each.

She added: "The scale of what

we were doing could sometimes feel overwhelming

She said she had no experience or training in dealing with mental health issues, adding: 'If there is any indication the user was posting something like a farewell, or a picture of something that maybe a method for suicide, and it was within 24 hours, we would be escalating it to police. But it was up to us to make that call.'

The Daily Mail was put in

touch with the moderator by Foxglove, which is working with content moderators to fight for better conditions and pay.

Meta said it invested 'billions each year' in its moderation teams and technology to keep its platform safe, adding that its content moderators go through an 'in-depth, multi-week training program'.

For help or support, visit samaritans.org or call the Samaritans for free on 116 123

Will bird flu stuff Christmas turkey supply?

STOCKS of festive turkeys could be at risk if the worst bird flu outbreak in UK history spreads, farmers warn.

More than three million birds have been culled so far and poultry producers are growing increasingly concerned about their livestock.

Special protection zones to try to contain the disease have been set up in Norfolk, Suffolk, parts of Essex and the whole of the South West of England.

James Mottershead, chairman of the National Farmers' Union poultry board, said: 'If bird flu gets into turkeys that could cause holy carnage; that could cause real supply chain issues in the run-up to Christmas. I know of some instances where seasonal turkey producers have been affected.'

Farms which have an outbreak and are classed as infected could have to stop

raising birds for up to a year, he added. The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs said around one billion birds a year are produced by British farmers and officials were working to 'eradicate the disease as quickly as possible'.

Quality Street's greener sweets

SWEET lovers will soon be noticing a change to their boxes of Quality Street.

The twist wrappers on the chocolates are to be made from paper instead of plastic as Nestle switches to greener packaging in the coming months.

The confectionery giant will also be wrapping KitKats with plastic that is 80 per cent recycled.

Replacing the cellulose-foil Quality Street wrappers on nine of the 11 sweets will mean billions fewer bits of plastic in its supply chain.

The other two sweets use just foil and will stay the same.

Nestle said that, unlike cellulose, the new wrappers break down easily and are accepted in household recycling.

125 fans die in football crush

AT least 125 fans died after a crush at an overcrowded Indonesian football stadium in one of sport's worst ever disasters.

Many victims were trampled to death in a stampede while hundreds more were injured after police fired tear gas at the 42,000-capacity stadium in Malang, East Java. Violence had flared at the end of Saturday's match after Arema FC lost 3-2 to rivals Persebaya Surabaya.

Thousands of Arema supporters invaded the pitch and threw missiles. Witnesses said police reacted by firing tear gas 'continuously and fast'. Many surged towards the exits where they suffocated or were trampled. The violence also spread outside. One fan said: "The stadium turned into a smoke-filled battleground.'

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safe and they reckoned it would take seven years to close it down,' says Mr Houchen. He set up the South Tees Development Corporation, acquired the site through a compulsory purchase order and set about demolishing it.

I didn't want to be known as the mayor who spent seven years closing down a steelworks. We're going to do it in two —

and come in under-budget.'

After all the apocalyptic predictions emanating from so much of the financial commentariat last week, it is somewhat reassuring to walk around something straight out of an apocalyptic blockbuster, safe in the knowledge that it is about to burst into life once again.

This whole area was once famous for the iron, chemicals, steel and ships it produced. It is now reinventing itself as hub for new industrial technology, the so-called 'hydrogen economy' and advanced manufacturing. A new £4 billion gas-fired power station is going in and will use decarbonised gas. And I see pile-drivers laying the foundations for the new £400 million SeAH Wind plant. This site will employ 5,000 people in the construction phase and then a regular workforce of 750. They will build and export the main shafts of the giant turbines for the next generation of offshore wind farms. It will be the largest factory of its kind in the world

Ben Houchen is adamant that all the new government proposals will 'turbocharge' these areas.

His one caveat is the Government itself. 'We need Whitehall to approve these Investment Zones fast. But there is a natural inertia within Whitehall. It is there to slow down the pace of change, which many people might see as a good thing, because it allows for consistency and confidence, rather than radical change.

'But when you are trying to create radical change, like the economic growth plan that the Government has, then you need to break through.

And if you're going to allocate 40 investments before the end of the year, you can't wait while civil servants spend 18 months evaluating all the individual criteria. Right now, the technology is moving faster than the civil servants.

His best-case scenario is that his Investment Zone applications will be approved this year. 'Then you're going to see major building works starting in the first quarter of next year,' he says. 'If we get those four zones approved by Christmas, you would be looking at north of 5,000 new jobs over the next four to five years.'

Out on the streets, most people don't want to talk about the Budget. The few that do are mainly in the 'bloody politicians what do you expect?' camp.

Mark, a cladder from Darlington, blames the Tories for everything but adds that he has never voted and never will. Sedgefield financial adviser Duncan Maw goes

the other way. 'That Budget was fantastic. Everyone's going on about one tax cut but things like the reversal of the IR35 [an irksome tax hurdle for self-employed contractors] will make a massive difference. The place is full of selfemployed engineers.

At the offices of the North East England Chamber of Commerce, chief executive John McCabe gives a careful welcome to the growth plans. There is some urgency to these Investment Zones given all this turbulence but we've got to make sure that planning and infrastructure match accelerated growth,' he says

It's too soon to say if Mr Kwarteng's growth plans really will see dozens of proto-Singapores popping up around the country. There are plenty of other monumental problems ahead. But the last 'Big Bang' in the City or London — worked wonders for Britain's revenues. Let's hope the weekend's thunderbolt on Teesside is the harbinger of something similar

HE Iran of my mother, Leila, exists only in photographs. I remember first seeing them as a small boy in the 1980s, tucked away in drawers in the sitting room of our London home.

They thrilled me: snapshots of a lost world of excitement and glamour. Here was my mother in a black cocktail dress, laughing at a highsociety event, surrounded by friends in Chanel dresses and Savile Row suits.

There she stood with her fellow debutantes, some sporting quiveringly fashionable beehive hairstyles; or picnicking with a male friend, unmarried and 'unaccompanied'. Above all, in almost every photo, I could see her long hair, cascading freely round her shoulders.

My mother lived with her sister Tamara and their parents in Shemiran, a verdant suburb of Tehran that was, and is today, home to Iran's ruling class.

This was when Iran's Shah or King was at the peak of his imperial power. And while Iran was officially a Muslim state, in Shemiran, near the Shah's palace, Iran's elites gathered to dance, drink alcohol and talk business. They

by David Patrikarakos

worked and played like Parisians of the Orient. It was a life of chauffeurs, nannies and staff by the dozen, of cocktail parties and ski trips and endless shopping sprees.

But if Iran was an Eden for many, then it's no surprise that a serpent lurked there, too.

My grandfather, Naim, knew that the cleric or 'mullah' Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini was on a mission. He wanted to inflict fundamentalist Islam on to his country, and to end what he deemed the Shah's 'Western decadence'.

For years, exiled in Iraq and Paris, Khomeini preached against these elites. His sermons were smuggled into Iran on cassette tapes and illicitly spread throughout the country. They stoked fanaticism — as well as legitimate grievance at the Shah's increasingly autocratic and unequal society.

In 1979, egged on by their exiled leader,

Khomeini, revolutionaries took to the streets to overthrow the Shah. They purged the army and police. They took their revenge on everyone they felt had opposed them. They murdered with impunity — often lining up their enemies against walls and shooting them.

In came strict religious laws — especially on Iranian women, who were ordered to cover their hair with the hijab. Make no mistake: the 'Islamic Republic' that replaced the Shah was born in violence and oppression and blood.

My grandfather decided that our family should leave Iran for Britain. He made the right choice. One of the first places Khomeini's followers went to was Shemiran.

Like all revolutionaries, they hankered after a bit of the good life. Our home, with its large grounds and many rooms, was occupied by the new regime's security forces.

Family legend has it that just before she left, my grandmother, Marcelle, suffered the indignity of having to negotiate with these thugs so she could take as many of our family's possessions as possible to their new life thousands of miles away in Hampstead.

Some years later, my mother met my father, Takis, who was studying in Britain having fled

his native Greece after it had experienced its own military coup. I grew up to become a political

author and war reporter. Perhaps, given my family's history, that was always going to be my destiny.

TODAY, death stalks Tehran's streets once again.

At least 76 protesters have been murdered across the country by the regime's goons, trying — and so far failing — to suppress an outpouring of frustration and rage.

The protests have been led by young people, many of them women, and have carried on for more than two weeks. They began after Mahsa Amini, a 22-year-old Kurdish woman, was arrested in Tehran on September 16 by officers from Iran's notorious 'Morality Police' — state officials charged with ensuring the country's absurd religious rules are met.

In practice, they spend their time controlling the way women act and dress. Mahsa's crime? Showing too much hair under her hijab. For this, she was dragged on to jail. The Iran my mother knew in its 1960s heyday feels tragically distant now.

Mahsa was pronounced dead three days after she was taken into custody where she was suppos-

edly being 're-educated' The police claimed she collapsed and died due to heart failure — but, obviously, no one believes that.

Witnesses say she was beaten as

Tam sick of having no freedom'

the police bundled her into their van. According to some accounts, she suffered such a tremendous blow to the head that she was probably medically dead by the time she reached hospital.

Protests began the day after Mahsa's funeral and haven't stopped since. Tens of thousands of people among them many women — have poured on to the streets in more than 100 towns and cities across Iran, enraged at her death and at four decades of oppression.

They know what they want. They chant it in the streets. Justice, liberty, no to mandatory hijab! they cry. 'Death to the dictator!' they roar. They tear down images of Iran's Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, who succeeded Khomeini in 1989. This bloodthirsty regime has responded in the only way it knows: with extreme violence.

The hated brownshirts beat and torture and shoot. Thousands have been arrested; more brave young people will die.

The Ministry of Intelligence has texted every mobile user in Iran, warning that anyone taking to the streets will be punished under



Glamour: David's mother Lella in Iran in the 1960s and, above, protests in Tehran on Saturday

the strictest Sharia Law. But still the people protest.

Mark my words: this is the beginning of the end of the Islamic Republic. It may not come imminently. For now, the security forces remain loyal: the regime takes good care of them. Iran's security chiefs know that if the mullahs fall, they fall with them.

But the regime has lost its legitimacy — and will never recover it. These protests are merely the latest in a series that have strafed Iran since 2019, when more than 1,500 protesters were reportedly killed.

In truth, Covid-19 gave the regime a stay of execution, forcing people into their homes. But the anger and defiance has remained

It is difficult to speak to ordinary Iranians. The regime is hunting them down. It has shut off the internet across large parts of Iran. Anyone caught speaking to the media especially Western outlets - is likely to be imprisoned and even killed

But I have contacts in Iran: I know some of those resisting. Using 'VPNs' technology that hides an internet user's location - they can circumvent blocked social media sites, organise and mobilise.

And soon they may get help from halfway across the world. The Tesla tycoon Elon Musk, now the richest person in the world, has said he plans to allow Iranians to use his Starlink satellites to access the internet.

This could be a game changer, as it has proved — and as I have seen for myself — for the Ukrainians fighting Vladimir Putin.

At the heart of these protests are Iran's women. It is they who have bravely ripped off their oppressive hijabs — the ultimate symbol of the hated regime. It is they who are publicly cutting off locks of their own hair, in what has become an act of defiance against the regime.

On Thursday, I spoke to Shirin, 25, who has been risking her life to protest in recent days. For as long as I can remember I have had to worry about how I dress, how I walk, how much make up I wear, in case it upsets an old man in [clerical] robes,' she told me. 'I am sick of having no freedom to wear what I want, no freedom to travel where I want. I am sick of the endless economic crisis. I want a job and a future.'

Her family are terrified. Her father begs her not to go onto the streets in case she becomes another Mahsa. But she won't listen. 'I've had



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Over 40 years ago, this writer's family fled Iran, their home seized, their 'Eden' lost. Now, a new revolution has begun—led by the very women the Islamic regime has been most anxious to oppress

Protests that COUICI Spell the end of the

enough,' she says. 'I have nothing left to lose.

Arash, 21, is a student at Tehran University. As he recounts his own disgust, he burns with passion. 'This regime belongs in the Middle Ages,' he says. 'It does not respect the most basic human liberties, women's rights or the rules of freedom of speech. Their language is the language of death. They do not abide by any international laws.'

Arash has seen his peers beaten and arrested every day. I know people who've lost their eyes, with broken arms, with massive injuries to their backs. I've seen people murdered with brute force.

'I've seen hand-to-hand fighting, protesters hit on the head with batons. Blood is the price — and we are paying it in the streets.'

He points not just to the regime's violence, however, but to its dizzy-

ing corruption and incompetence. Despite the revenues from its vast oil and gas resources, more than 25 million Iranians — almost one in three — were living in poverty last year.

Of course, Western sanctions on Iran over its nuclear programme and human rights record have played their part. But billions of oil dollars have disappeared into the pockets of corrupt officials.

Between the 1979 revolution and 2022, the country's per capita income increased by less than 1 per cent. In August, inflation hit 52.2 per cent.

There is only so long you can oppress a population. What makes these protests different is they are not about vote-rigging or corruption, but the very essence of the regime.

In Iran, which uses a different



Symbol of defiance: A woman holds up a hank of her cut hair in a protest outside iran's embassy in Istanbul

calendar from the West, the youthful protesters are known as the '1380s' generation. Teenagers and those in their early 20s are leading the protests — they despise the revolutionary class that seized power decades before they were born. This generation has known social

media all their lives - and that is crucial. Iranians, as my mother could tell you, have always looked West, but the internet has been essential in shaping the 1380s' understanding of the world.

They can see what they're being denied; they hold it in the palm of their hands

'We want a new revolution,' says Arash. 'We want democracy. That

Blood is the price and we're paying it on the streets

is the only way that we can achieve

freedom and justice.'

His calls are being echoed around the world. In London, hundreds have gathered to express their rage and disgust at the regime's behaviour. Last month, police were forced to step in after crowds surged toward the Iranian embassy in Kensington, London.

Meanwhile, the hacker group Anonymous is disrupting Iranian government accounts, helping the protesters by bringing down state websites - including those peddling regime propaganda — when the mullahs need them most

This week, I took out those old photos of my mother in her youth in Tehran. Once more, I saw what her country used to be.

But this time, for the first time, hope mingled with grief. Iran will rise again — is rising again.

Instead of the Shah and instead of the mullahs, it will one day have true democracy.

The time is fast approaching for Shirin and Arash. And the most beautiful irony of all? That one of the world's most misogynistic regimes will one day — and before long — be brought down by the

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Daily Mail Reporter

BRITISH academics are calling for the Rosetta Stone to be returned to Egypt after more than 200 years in the UK.

Experts have signed a petition saying the treasured 2,200-year-old slab, which enabled the decoding of hieroglyphs in 1822-1824, should be handed back.

Joyce Tyldesley, professor of Egyptology at the University of Manchester, said it was the right time to return it.

She added: 'Talks could start now in the 200th anniversary year of the decipherment of the stone to send it back to continue its journey. There would be no harm in that.' Speaking to The Sunday Times, she added: 'Why is it in London as

'It would be a big draw'

opposed to in Cairo?' Her calls were echoed by Dr Nicky Nielsen, a senior lecturer in Egyptology, also at the University of Manchester.

He said the stone would be a 'big draw' for the Grand Egyptian Museum in Giza, which is now being built. It comes as the Greek prime minister is preparing to speak to Liz Truss about the prospect of Britain returning the Elgin Marbles - which are also in the British Musuem.

The petition calling for its return was launched in Egypt and has since been circulated around Westminster. French soldiers stumbled upon the 760kg (120stone) slab near the town of Rosetta in 1799. The British then took the stone after defeating the French in Egypt in 1801. It became the key that unlocked the mysterious hieroglyphic script of the pharaohs, because it bears a decree written in three ways: in hieroglyphics, demotic (the Egyptian language of its era), and ancient Greek.

The decree, issued in 196 BC and

Will British
Museum
now face
a fight to
keep the
Rosetta
Stone?
Treasured: The slab is held in the British Museum

attesting to the devoutness of ruler Ptolemy V, was easily translated from the ancient Greek.

But it took a further 20 years after the stone's discovery for French scholar and polymath Jean-Francois Champollion to crack the other two languages – partly through deciphering the hieroglyphs by identifying names of people in the text. The British Museum is holding a special exhibition featuring

the stone from October 13. Curator Rona Regulski said: 'We are telling the story of decipherment of Egyptian hieroglyphs which happened 200 years ago, so that's what we're celebrating...

'Also, it provides us with an opportunity to contextualise the story a bit better and to tell more complete stories about the role of the stone in the decipherment, but also how it came to the British Museum.' Miss Regulski said the

stone had been in Paris's Louvre 'for a very brief period' in 1972 and was also moved during the Second World War for its protection.

The exhibition will also feature the 3,000-year-old illustrated Book of the Dead of Queen Nedjmet, alongside a set of vessels that preserved the organs of the deceased. And the mummy bandage of Aberuait, which has never been displayed in the UK, has been loaned by the Louvre.

Greeks hope to enlist King in battle for Elgin Marbles

By Claire Duffin

THE Greek prime minister is hopeful King Charles will aid his latest bid to return the Elgin Marbles to Athens.

Kyriakos Mitsotakis believes Britain is edging closer to handing back the sculptures and will raise the issue with Liz Truss on a visit to London later this year.

The 2,500-year-old marbles were taken from the Parthenon between 1801 and 1812 by Lord Elgin, ambassador to the Ottoman Empire. The Greeks say they were stolen, but the British Museum Act 1963 prevents ownership of artefacts being transferred from the museum.

Mr Mitsotakis, 54, told The Sunday Times he had a 'good personal relationship' with King Charles and believes he is supportive. The King, he said, has 'a Greek heritage which he values and cherishes', adding: 'I think the mood is changing in the UK.'

It has emerged that Greek businessman John Lefas, 71, is investing millions to fly British MPs to Athens to lobby them to overturn UK law and allow the marbles' return.

Lord Vaizey, a former Tory culture minister, has already taken the trip as part of the Parthenon Project, The Sunday Telegraph reported.



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IN THE final extract from his riveting new book on how the Sussexes' relationship with palace staff deteriorated, **VALENTINE LOW recalls the** impact of the couple's shocking TV interviews — and examines the truth behind their claims...

HE first intimation that Meghan might be a victim as well as a possibly rather difficult employer and sister-in-law — came in an ITV documentary.

Filmed in a garden in Johannesburg, during the Sussexes's 2019 tour of South Africa, she'd spoken to presenter Tom Bradby about how she'd struggled with life in the spotlight, both as a newlywed and as a new mother. He'd then asked her what the impact of all that pressure had been on her physical and mental health.

Looking vulnerable, almost as though she was trying to hold back tears, Meghan said she'd found it hard, and added: "Thank you for asking, because not many people have asked if I'm OK. But it's a very real thing to be going through behind the scenes.'

A preview of Bradby's documentary was screened for the media while William and Kate were on a tour of Pakistan that October. And, inevitably, the resulting coverage, with its headlines of 'Meghan: My Struggles', overshadowed coverage of the last day of the Cambridges' tour.

William and Kate's team was not happy, it seems, and saw it as a deliberate attempt to knock the couple out of the headlines. Relations between the two households became quite tense.

The documentary had also shown not only Meghan's evident pain but also how far Harry and William had drifted apart.

Asked by Bradby about the rift between him and William, Harry had chosen not to deny it, but said instead: 'We are certainly on different paths at the moment... As brothers, you know, you have

good days, you have bad days.' William, home after the Pakistan tour, appears to have been taken aback at such a stark portrayal of his brother and sister-in-law's unhappiness. He realised they were in crisis.

The day after the documentary aired, William WhatsApped his brother to ask if he could come and see him. This put Harry and Meghan into a spin. What should they do?

Initially, Harry was in favour. Then he spoke to his brother again, and asked him whom he would tell.

ILLIAM explained that he'd have to clear his schedule, which would mean telling his private secretary. At that point, Harry told him: Don't come

He was so concerned that William's team would leak the visit to the Press that he would rather not see his brother than risk it getting into the papers. To everyone who knew what was going on, this was heartbreaking.

It highlighted the dysfunction at the heart of so many royal relationships, and how members of the Royal Family so rarely pick up the phone to speak to each other directly. Instead, they communicate via the apparatus around them. And the result is mistrust and division

IN HER interview with Oprah Winfrey in March 2021, Meghan would discuss her mental fragility at

greater length.

She talked about the pressure she'd felt from online abuse and the critical media coverage, pressure that she once described in a



Most people would think such an

expression of despair could be

able experience.

rooted only in truth. And yet a succession of decent people, all of whom had believed in Meghan and wanted to make her position work, came to be so disillusioned that they began to suspect that even her most heartfelt pleas for help

were part of a deliberate strategy that had one end in sight — her departure. Perhaps, they say, nothing the palace could do was ever going to be good enough.

'She was looking for examples of us failing her from the beginning," believes one former staffer. 'We were having to prove that the institution would bend over back-

wards to make her happy 'It felt like that wasn't what she wanted, but that she wanted

to be rejected. The feeling among like-minded staff was that Meghan wanted to leave a trail of evidence behind, so that when the time came for the couple to leave the monarchy, she

would be able to say: 'Look how they failed to support me. They left me with no choice but to leave.'

Some staff saw the problem as inextricably linked with the couple's fury about some of the press coverage, which they felt was sexist and even racist.

It also stung that Meghan had been dubbed Duchess Difficult because of the high staff turnover

in their household. As one source put it: "The way I see it, their view of not getting institutional support was that they were not getting permission to blow up the [royal] institution's



Flairy Silubucu William's offer of a secret summit to heal their rift

relationships with the media. Others suspected that, in the



Crisis: Meghan with ITV's Tom Bradby in 2019; top, Harry and William close but so far apart in London, July 2021

end. Meghan wanted to make money for herself. And the only way she could do that was by leaving behind her royal life in the UK and returning to America.

Too cynical? Perhaps. But the sad truth is that the relationships between Meghan and her advisers were in such a sorry state that this is what they genuinely believed.

Some argue that she never really wanted to be accepted by the Royal Family. That may be true.

But it's also true that if the institution had tried harder, and if she'd been more willing to adapt herself to palace life, she could have been one of the Royal Family's greatest assets.

The idea that she wanted to be rejected is challenged by her lawyers, Schillings.

Instead, they say she had a 'clear

desire to fit in'.

'She left her country, career and life in North America to commit herself fully to her new role and made every effort to honour that commitment.'

IF THE danger signs were there from the beginning, so were the warnings

The Sussexes' private secretary

Sam Cohen told two key courtiers the private secretaries to both Prince Charles and the Queen that if it all went wrong with Harry and Meghan, the palace needed evidence of the duty of care the institution had shown them

The 'duty of care' was crucial: '[Sam] was a broken record with them on that,' said a source.

By the time Meghan gave her interview to Oprah Winfrey, however, the palace had lost the argument over duty of care.

The duchess had hijacked the narrative by making it all about her mental health, which meant everything the palace had done to support the couple — including giving them a team who'd have done anything to help them succeed — was simply forgotten.

Instead, the duchess was able to point out all the times that the organisation had failed her.

One of them was when she went to the palace's head of HR in January 2019, saying she needed to get help with her mental health issues. She was given a sympathetic hearing but sent on her way, as was inevitable: HR is there to deal with employee issues, not members of the Royal Family.

Meghan would presumably have known that, so what was she doing

trail of evidence would be the cynical answer. So desperate that she did not know where to turn would be the more charitable interpretation.

In the Oprah interview, Meghan also made the startling claim that she went to one of the 'most senior people,' saying she needed to go somewhere to get help — only to be told it wouldn't be 'good for the institution'.

It is a strange thought: would anyone really say that to a pregnant woman?

Until one hears from the other person in the room, it's difficult to know what to make of this.

However, the truth remains that Meghan appears to have been in a bad place. And Harry knew she was suffering.

Yet when Oprah asked why he didn't go to his own family to say his wife needed help, he said: 'I guess I was ashamed of admitting

it to them.' We can all understand such feelings of shame: mental health

can be hard to talk about. However, there is also something

not quite right here. Since 2016, Harry had devoted

much of his energy to Heads Together, a campaign he had launched with William and Kate to try to persuade people to overcome the stigma surrounding mental health.

Years before, he'd decided to seek help himself after suffering his own mental crisis. Could he not have helped his wife do likewise?

And if he couldn't, he must have met scores of people through Heads Together who could have offered help and support. As one well-informed source said: 'He would have known exactly where to turn, who to call, what to do.'

Elsewhere in the Oprah interview. Meghan talked warmly of Julia Samuel, the psychotherapist who had been a friend of Princess Diana and remained close to Harry. She had, Meghan said, 'continued to

be a friend and confidante'. Julia Samuel would also, presumably, have been an ideal person for the couple to go to for help.

ANALYSING Meghan's interview with Oprah is a complicated business, because some of it simply isn't true. That doesn't mean, however, that all of it isn't true.

One of the moments that is glaringly misleading is when Meghan tells Oprah: 'When I joined that family, that was the last time ... that I saw my passport, my driver's licence, my keys. All that gets turned over. I didn't see any of that any more.'

In the first six months of her marriage, there had been foreign holidays in Italy, Canada and Amsterdam, to say nothing of the couple's honeymoon. Then in 2019, Meghan visited Ibiza, France, Italy and New York (twice). It would have been a challenge to do all those trips without a passport.

I'm not going to go through every example in the interview of statements that are untrue, or misleading, such as her claim that they actually got married three days before their wedding. It's instructive, however, to look at one of Meghan's central claims: that the palace was not doing enough to stand up for her.

She told Oprah: 'Not only was I not being protected... they were willing to lie to protect other members of the family, but they weren't willing to tell the truth to protect me and my husband.'

The overriding issue that concerned her was a newspaper story about Kate crying after a bridesmaid's dress fitting for Princess Charlotte that took place before the wedding.

"The narrative with Kate — which didn't happen — was really, really difficult,' Meghan told Oprah. 'I think that's when everything

changed, really.' The truth is that, after the dress fitting, Meghan had become obsessed with trying to persuade the palace press office to put something out denying the story.

However, they were equally adamant that it would be a serious mistake to start briefing about personal stories relating to differences between members of the Royal Family.

OT only did they not want to brief against other royals, but they feared it would create a precedent, making it harder in future for them to avoid commenting on personal tittle-tattle.

It would also fan the flames of the story, ensuring it continued to fill the pages of the newspapers for several days to come.

This became a major point of contention between Meghan and her media advisers.

On Oprah, Meghan went further than denying the Kate-in-tears story, however. Instead, she said, the reverse had happened.

'She was upset about something pertaining [to] flower-girl dresses, and it made me cry, and it really hurt my feelings."

It was not an attractive performance: Meghan had spent months complaining about how her reputation had been smeared in the Press, and now she was doing the same to Kate, who quite clearly was never going to respond

The story of Kate's tears was not the first time Meghan had tried to persuade the press office to brief journalists about an issue that was bothering her. The other concerned the departure of a member of staff. whose settlement deal contained a non-disclosure agreement.

Despite the employee being legally obliged to remain silent, the Sussexes — who say they didn't know about the nondisclosure agreement - repeatedly tried to get their communications secretary Jason Knauf to brief journalists about what Meghan saw as the reason behind the employee's departure.

Knauf refused, because he disagreed with Meghan's interpretation of events. He also thought briefing against the individual was wrong.

LOOKING back on the saga of Harry and Meghan's rift with the Royal Family, there are still questions to be asked.

Were the senior courtiers in the royal institution — Prince Charles's private secretary Clive Alderton; and the Queen's, Edward Young unaware of Meghan and Harry's deepening unhappiness?

Or were they burying their heads in the sand? Did they let their personal dislike of Meghan prevent them from seeing the very obvious dangers that lay ahead?

NE former palace insider believes the way the developing crisis was handled was 'incompetent beyond belief'.

'I think Meghan thought she was going to be the Beyoncé of the UK,' said the insider. 'Being part of the Royal Family would give her that kudos.

'What she discovered was that there were so many rules that were so ridiculous, she couldn't even do the things she could have done as a private individual...

'It required the decision-makers to sit around a table and say: "OK, what are we going to do about this? What do you need to feel better? And what can we give?"

The situation wasn't helped by Harry and Meghan's deteriorating relationship with both Young and Alderton.

Meghan apparently saw the Queen's private secretary as 'an inflexible, bureaucratic figure' and Harry was just as dismissive of the two senior courtiers as she was.

So another view is nothing could have saved the situation. The two sides were just too far apart.

CRUCIALLY, it was the Queen who took the view that unless they were prepared to abide by the restrictions that applied to working members of the Royal Family, they couldn't be allowed to carry out part-time official duties.

But the Sussexes wanted their freedom to make money AND to dip their toes into U.S. politics. There was no way to reach an agreement on that point.

There is one final thought on this, from a surprising source: perhaps the Sussexes' departure from the country and the Royal Family was not the untrammelled disaster so many think it was.

One courtier, who knows Harry and remains upset about what he and Meghan did, said: 'Part of me thinks Meghan did Harry the greatest kindness anyone could do, which was to take him out of the Royal Family, because he was desperately unhappy in the last couple of years of his working life.

'We knew he was unhappy, but we didn't really know what the solution would be. She came along and found the solution.'

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Nurse sues NHS for imposing racist ideology

'Whiteness problem' lecture upset her

A WHITE Christian nurse is suing an NHS Trust she claims has been forcing a 'racist ideology' on to its students.

Amy Gallagher, 33, is taking legal action against the PortBy Eiran Jane Prosser

man Clinic in north London, part of the controversial Tavistock and Portman NHS Trust, in a legal case she believes is the first of its kind. The mental health nurse, who

is in the final stages of a two-year course in forensic psychology at the trust, claims she has been discriminated against on the basis of race, religion and philosophical belief.

She was upset after allegedly being forced to take part in a lec-



Christian: Amy Gallagher, 33

ture titled 'whiteness - a problem of our time' in October 2020. which said 'the problem of racism is a problem of whiteness'.

At a meeting with her course leader, Miss Gallagher explained that she did not consider herself racist and that she took a 'colour-blind' approach, meaning she does not judge people by skin colour. She says she was told this is now 'outdated'.

Miss Gallagher also attended a compulsory lecture on racism in which the lecturer 'spoke negatively about Christianity while no other religions were mentioned'. She filed a

'Colour-blind view is outdated'

formal complaint to the Tavistock Trust in January last year. And in March this year she filed documents at the Central London County Court.

According to The Daily Telegraph, Miss Gallagher thinks it will be the first legal case that hinges on 'lack of belief'.

She argues a white Christian woman cannot believe in critical race theory, which states racism is systemic and institutional.

The Tavistock and Portman Trust said it could not comment on claims that were part of an 'ongoing legal case'.

Under-45s lead exodus of hospital nursing staff

TWO-THIRDS of nurses who left the NHS in the past year were under 45, damning analysis by a think-tank shows.

Nearly 23,000 younger nurses quit, up 26 per cent from the previous year for this age group, said the King's Fund.

It found that almost a quarter of all those who left were under 30, showing the exodus is not driven by retirement.

Last week analysis by the Nuffield Trust revealed that more than 40,000 nurses have left in the past year, one in nine of the workforce.

The King's Fund added that from June 2021 to June this year, there was a 25 per cent rise in the number leaving, with 7,000 more going compared with the previous year.

According to the most recent NHS staff survey, 52 per cent had felt unwell due to workrelated stress and 40 per cent felt burnt out.

Nurses are also angry over pay with voting about to start on strike action for the first time in the Royal College of Nursing's 100-year history.

The Department of Health said there were over 29,000 more nurses in the NHS than in September 2019.

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FROM THE DAILY MAIL ARCHIVE

OCTOBER 3, 1983

NEIL KINNOCK, just elected Labour's youngest leader at 41, began his stint with a soaking on Brighton beach as he fell at the sea's edge while posing for photographers. But the embarrassment of that Canute-like ducking was nothing to the problem of a row between Labour's Left and Right over rising pacifism and onesided nuclear disarmament in the party.

OCTOBER 3, 1985

PRINCE ANDREW says real love will descend on him 'like a lightning bolt' — if it comes at all. The 25-year-old, nicknamed 'Randy Andy' for his amorous escapades, told two million Woman's Hour listeners on BBC Radio 4 yesterday he did not know what he was looking for in a wife. T've not had any chance to think about it,' he said.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

GWEN STEFANL 53. The Grammy-winning US. singer-songwriter was frontwoman of No Doubt, which had hits with Don't Speak and Hey Baby. Described as looking like a '1950s platinum bombshell meets futuristic Japanese cartoon', she said that without



make-up: 'I just don't feel right. People think I'm insane, but I feel like it's a part of who I am that day and who I want to be. I wear it every day, no matter what.'

DANNY O'DONOGHUE, 42. The Dublinborn musician fronts rock band The Script, which had a UK No. 1 with Hall Of Fame, has sold 20 million albums and supported Paul McCartney on tour. In 2013 O'Donoghue performed for the Queen in a BBC Radio 1 studio, and said the thankyou letter she sent him afterwards is 'the most amazing thing I've ever seen'.

BORN ON THIS DAY

JOHNNY BURKE (1908-1964). The U.S. lyricist wrote Pennies From Heaven and the Oscar-winning Swinging On A Star. He worked on at least 43 films, and once had four songs on the U.S 'Hit Parade' at the same time. His longtime writing partner Jimmy Van Heusen said: Johnny was, in fact, a born poet. Imagery and easy style, pretty but not cloying, that was his trademark. His imitators can't be counted.'

PIERRE BONNARD (1867-1947). The French artist was famed for his paintings of women bathing. In 1975, an Italian car worker paid £32 for two paintings including a Bonnard at a lost property auction. It took 40 years to find it had been stolen in London in 1970, and was worth £500,000.

ON OCTOBER 3...

IN 1970, future prime minister John Major married Norma Johnson in South London

IN 2005, Porridge and Two Ronnies star Ronnie Barker died, aged 76.

WORD WIZARDRY

GUESS THE DEFINITION: Inculcate (coined mid 1500s)

A) To teach persistently and earnestly. B) To examine. C) To lock up

Answer below.

PHRASE EXPLAINED

Draw stumps: meaning to stop doing something; it derives from cricket in which the stumps are removed from the ground by the umpires at close of play.

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My children are not royal, they just happen to have the Queen as their aunt.

Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon (1930-2002)

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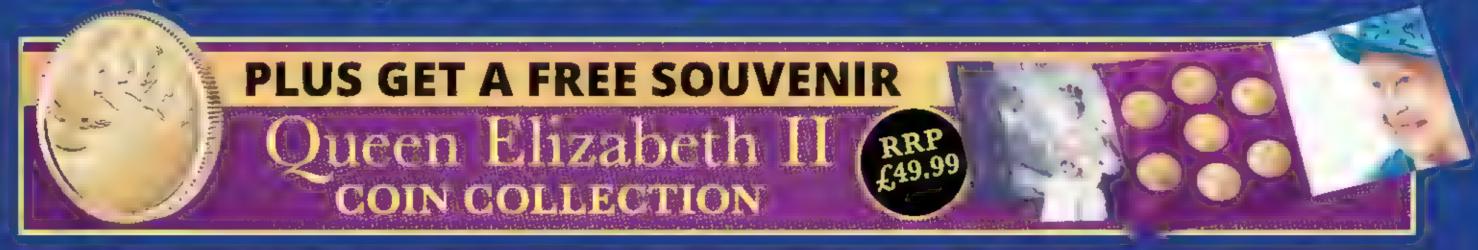


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Strong women don't have 'attitudes', we have standards

MARILYN MONROE

She's lost her brother to cancer, been viciously mugged and seen her fashion label collapse into administration. But despite an ordeal that would floor many designer AMANDA WAKELEY is more excited than ever for her creative future

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MANDA WAKELEY tells me she has 'never really been wired to hide under the duvet when life throws a whole lot of crap' at her. 'My partner [financier Hugh Morrison] says: "Life is a battle we just muscle up.'

'I think that's quite a male approach,' she says — but it's a mantra she's made her own.

'Actually, it is a battle. Everyone's had knocks. It's how you deal with them

Indeed. In the past two years, Amanda has had to 'muscle up' to the sort of harsh blows that

INTERVIEW by Rebecca Hardy

would floor a heavyweight boxer. Sixteen months ago, her luxury fashion label, into which she'd ploughed the best part of her adult life and was, she concedes, a child of sorts, collapsed into administration.

Little more than a week later, her 'fearless,

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Would you suck a sea moss sweet to GET SLIM?

by Harry Wallop

OST of us will have used it to decorate sandcastles on the beach. But now sea moss, found on the shores of Ireland, Cornwall and the Caribbean, is being touted as a superfood akin to kale and kefir, with supposed wonder properties.

Apparently, chondrus crispus, as it's known in Latin, can aid weight loss, is great for nails and skin, boosts the immune system, helps digestion and is full of minerals and vitamins

It comes in many forms, from capsules and gummy sweets to a powder, which makes it easy to add to smoothies and stews

'We've seen a huge spike in sales — up 36 per cent over the past month compared with the month before,' says Adrian Boswell, a food buyer at Selfridges, which now stocks sea moss supplements.

He adds the product's recent popularity is down 'in part to exposure on social media and celebrity advocates. Sales have been so strong that we have just added tonics to the range, alongside the gel and mylks [vegan milk shakes]'.

And there is no bigger celebrity advocate in the world than Kim Kardashian, who has shared with her 74 million Twitter followers that 'sea moss smoothies are really good'.

OME experts are dubious about the health claims, however Dr Stacey Lockyer, senior nutrition scientist at the British Nutrition Foundation, points out there is a lack of human studies about the effects of sea moss. She adds that, while high in fibre, B vitamins and a range of minerals including iron, zinc and iodine, 'all of these nutrients can be found in everyday foods and you can get the amounts you need if you follow a healthy, balanced diet'.

Also, there are risks connected to digesting too much iodine.

'Taking high doses of iodine for long periods of time could change the way your thyroid gland works,' warns Dr Lockyer. Simon Frederick, founder

Simon Frederick, founder of Pardasa, which makes sea moss gel, says: 'My dad is from St Lucia in the Caribbean and it's been a big thing over there for a very long time, but it's only taken hold in the UK recently.'

While he agrees that some of the health claims are based on



anecdotal evidence, rather than rigorous, peer-reviewed medical studies, he adds: 'I've seen people really helped, especially those with gut problems and irritable bowel syndrome.'

So which are the most interesting products on the market, what do they promise to do and what do they taste like?

CHEWY SEA VEGGIES

The Cornish Seaweed Company, 100% Organic Irish Moss, 20g, £5, planetorganic.com

THIS is dried seaweed in its purest form. It looks like it was in a rockpool only a few hours ago. Eaten straight out of the pack, it's chewy with a faint hint of whelk which I rather like

The company has a licence from The Crown Estate 'to sustainably hand cut all our organic sea veggies' from the Cornish coast. It makes no bold health promises and advises adding a pinch of the stuff to milk and cocoa to thicken a hot chocolate, or use as a vegan gelatine alternative. Clever. 4/5

IRISH MYLK SHAKE

Rumedii Irish Moss Mylk Shake, 500ml, £6.99, rumedii.com

RUMEDII was started by Gee Williams, who could not find nutrient-dense products for her son King, who has short gut syndrome and autism.

However, it clearly states on the label: 'This product is not intended to treat, diagnose, cure or prevent disease.'

This is a vegan milk shake—hence the 'mylk' moniker—and is made up of Irish moss, oat milk, coconut milk, vanilla and cinnamon.

It is sweet and very fragrant—the sensation is a little like tucking into an Indian dessert in a Mayfair parfumeur. I tried to force it on my kids. None of them liked it! It's creamy, but I find it too rich.

2.5/5

CARIBBEAN SALTY SNACK

Gordon Watkins 100% High Grade Organic Sea Moss, 100g, £13.99, gordonwatkins.co.uk THIS has been 'wild crafted in Grenada' in the Caribbean, the packet says. Densely packed, it is full of dried moss that is grey and tastes very salty.

It makes lots of health claims 'Contains 92 of the 102 minerals the body is made up of; known to treat various illnesses and health conditions; boosts the immune system.'

Nutritionists say a healthy, nutrient-dense diet can play a role in supporting immunity, but there is no one specific food or nutrient that can ensure a healthy immune system. 2/5

WEIGHT LOSS' SWEETS

PJ Pharm Sea Moss Gummies, 60 gummies, £19.99, pjpharm.co.uk

THESE look and taste a bit like an apple-flavoured gummy bear, though less sweet. If you want to ingest sea moss, this is an easy and tasty way to do it, with two sweets containing 1.2g of sea moss and just 13 calories.

It makes various claims on the bottle, including that sea moss 'helps with weight loss', which is quite punchy, though experts do say that sea moss has a very high fibre content, which can have the effect of making you feel full for longer — reducing your hunger pangs.

4/5

ECO-AWARE POWDER

Time Health Organic Irish Sea Moss, 50g, £10.99, timehealth.co.uk

THIS is a fine, grey powder with a distinctly sea-salty tang to it. You add a quarter of a teaspoon (1g) to a shake, smoothie or even a soup or stew and it thickens it, acting almost like a vegan gelatine.

The recommended dose is 1g, which contains 0.4g of fibre — only a fraction of the 30g daily recommended amount

The British maker says its sea moss is sourced from 'pristine Canadian waters' and that it will plant a tree for every order placed. 2/5

MINERAL-BOOST GEL

King Moss Premium Sea Moss Gel, 500g, £19.99, kingmoss.co.uk

ONE of the more popular ways to take sea moss is in gel form. It's a rather strange, glutinous substance that has the consistency of wallpaper paste and is tasteless. You must keep the jar in the fridge.

You add a tablespoon or two to smoothies, porridge or soups to boost your mineral intake without affecting the flavour of your meal.

King Moss says you can also eat it straight out of the jar, which I wouldn't recommend, unless you enjoy your mouth coated with gloop.

3/5



Sharing life's adventures: Amanda and partner Hugh Morrison

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incredible' brother Charlie died at the age of 62. The younger of her two brothers, a respected radiologist who was blissfully married with two grown-up sons, Charlie had been battling a brain tumour for 15 months

His death, she says, came almost a year to the day after the two men who violently attacked her were jailed for a combined total of ten years. Amanda was threatened with an axe and throttled in a tussle for her gold Rolex in 2019.

'It was terrifying thinking I might not survive,' she says. 'It was one of the most frightening experiences in my life, but I'd tried really hard to move forwards.

'Then, everything came at once,' she says, speaking about these 'big, big blows' for the first time.

'Losing a sibling is huge. I don't think you realise how huge it is unless you've been there. It is heartbreaking and just feels very unfair. But there were silver linings. We had some incredibly happy days and have never been tighter as a family.'

MONTH before her world was turned on its head, Amanda, Hugh and her family shared 'the most heavenly walk' with her brother at the spectacular Exbury Gardens in Hampshire

'I will never forget Charlie pushing his nose into the flowers and just doing this.' She inhales deeply. 'Or him saying: "Listen, listen, that's a robin; or that's a this or that.' He was so good on birdsong. You hold onto memories of those lovely things, those gifts from nature, don't you?

'But what I do realise as I speak [to other people] is that so many of us have had significant challenges in our lives. It can be heart-breaking and seem so unfair, but it is the lottery of life.

There isn't a day now that I don't wake up and think: "I get to be here today. I'm going to make the most of it." That hackneyed word "gratitude" comes to mind. You realise we don't all get to be here. My brother doesn't get to be here.'

She pulls her huge sloppy cashmere sweater around her. Amanda, whose eponymous label was a favourite with some of the most beautiful women on the planet, such as Catherine, Princess of Wales, Princess Diana and Angelina Jolie, says clothes can be armour. 'It doesn't have to be chainmail,' she says. 'My armour can be a big cashmere sweater.

'The night before Charlie died,
I collected this little one,' she
says of hers and Hugh's 18month-old Labrador, Luna — or
'Luna the lunatic'.

'We had lost our last dog six months before that. We've always had dogs. So every day I had to get up in the morning and get her out, train her, laugh and

Wakeley fan: The Princess of Wales

get some exercise myself. I had a purpose, and getting outside in nature is fundamental to me.

'It's hard if you're feeling low, but I can honestly say that there isn't one time when I haven't come back feeling better.

'Exercising Luna allowed me time to reflect, start processing the grief and then get on with my day. These were big, big issues, but I've never felt like a victim.

'I began to think how lucky am I to be here, to be able to have a clean sheet of paper [without her luxury fashion empire] and think there are so many things I want to do and so many things I'm excited about — but you do have that moment of unsteadiness first.'

On Saturday, Amanda began her weekly 12-part podcast series, Amanda Wakeley: Style DNA, in which she interviews the likes of Trinny Woodall, Grace Dent and James Blunt about how fashion has shaped their lives.

'I always designed because I knew the power of feeling comfortable in your clothes, whether it's a big old cocooning cashmere sweater or a wedding dress that's going to make you feel like a complete goddess.

'I'm interested in the whole psychology of how wearing something that makes you feel great can really impact your day. And, the counter, how if you don't feel like you've quite got it together, you're not going to have such a good day.

'Four years ago, I came up with this phrase, discovering your "Style DNA" — and she began to write an outline for a book.

'Then, I started to think, actually this could be a fantastic podcast. 'And then Covid happened —

and I had new opportunities.'

The informal podcasts make for compulsive listening. Take, for example, Trinny Woodall's confessions about her body dysmorphia and particularly the acne that tortured her through her teens.

'She talked about it all with such raw honesty and good humour,' says Amanda. 'Many of us, as women, deal with our insecurities through laughter. I've never laughed as much as when I interviewed food critic Grace Dent. She's someone who can vocalise what she identifies as "her flaws" in such a self-deprecating, humorous way.'

Amanda is glowing from her early morning walk when we meet in her and Hugh's spectacular glass-fronted apartment overlooking the River Thames in Chelsea.

A swan flies past the window and, yesterday, she tells me, she saw a seal. This is about as close to nature as she can get in the city

in the city
Inside, the apartment is sleek, with functional lines and vases of white flowers.

There's also a rather impressive drum kit, which, she tells me, belongs to Hugh.

They've been together for 17 years after meeting at a fashion event in New York 'many moons ago'. Many moons before that they happened to be neighbours



ON TURNING 60...

It's just a number. I'm not going to hardwire my brain to think 'you're so many years'

ON NO CHILDREN...

I was giving so much to my business, I didn't know how to squeeze it all in

ON LABEL COLLAPSE...

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in the States but never met. 'It's sort of sliding doors, which is incredible,' she says. 'I don't think either of us takes it lightly.

'We share so many common values. As you get older, you really appreciate the importance of shared values and shared references. Gosh that makes it sound really unromantic. It's not. It's a real meeting of souls.'

But no wedding vows?

'We've both been married and we're both committed to each other. I'd never say never, but it wasn't a fundamental part of our relationship. To us, it's about the adventures of life.

This month, Amanda and Hugh are off to Antarctica with friends, where they are 'not just watching the penguins. We are ski touring, which means we get off the ship in the morning, climb the mountain and then we ski down. It's going to be amazing.

Amanda's fashion empire went into liquidation five months ago

'That was sad,' she says. 'You're saying goodbye to colleagues you've spent an inordinate amount of time with. That's tough; really tough. But it wouldn't have been worth it if it wasn't sad, would it? I'd spent so many years nurturing it.'

Amanda doesn't have children. 'I probably never met the right person at the right time and I was very focused on work,' she says.

'However, I look at my incredible relationship with my mother, who is 89, and think: "I'm not going to have that." But I've got other wonderful relationships in my life.

I am a big believer in there's no Nirvana. You have children and it's not perfect. You don't have children and it's not perfect. We miss out on things, but I didn't

feel that I could do it all well.' Amanda was 28 when she founded her company with a £20,000 lump sum from her father The fledging label was just 18 months old when Princess Diana made her famous.

Y GOODNESS, she knew the power of clothing,' says Amanda. 'It was fun working with her because she was so informal and mischievous She was great.'

Amanda looks out of the window at the river flowing past. 'In life, we do have to be grateful for every day that we're here, live the moment and treasure the shared experiences.'

Two weeks ago, Amanda marked her 60th birthday with a 'gorgeous' dinner with Hugh. She didn't want a fuss. 'It's just a number. Move on,' she says. 'That's just me.

'It comes back to that thing that if you think it, you become it. I'm not going to start hardwiring my brain to think "you're so many years". I'm not in denial. What's

more important is how you feel and I'm feeling vibrant and healthy. I nourish my body with good food, I exercise and I stretch to make sure I feel good.

I look at my 89-year-old mother and she's there in skinny jeans, a lovely big Wakeley cashmere and Converse sneakers and she looks great — absolutely great.

'I think it's a fine line between looking after yourself and accepting that 'yes, I've got a few more lines on my face but those lines have lots of stories'.

In truth, Amanda has the face of a woman at least ten years her junior. Botox? She laughs. 'I've got friends of all ages and I don't think I know many people who don't have the odd tweak,' she says.

'Inside, though, we've all evolved. Sometimes, even the knocks can be positive.

'Having a tiny bit more time allows me to be a little bit more reflective. When you're on the hamster wheel of fashion, you're pedalling faster and faster.

'It's pretty relentless. You sometimes think, when you're spinning on the wheel, how do I slow it down? Five years ago, I was banging my fist in the studio, metaphorically speaking, saying: "We've got to become greener. We've got to use less plastic. We have to work out a way of having less waste,"

'But, when a business is moving so fast, and part of the nature of that business is to be fast-moving, it's hard to take that moment to rethink. In a way, it's much easier to start a business from scratch in a more sustainable fashion.

I don't miss designing a collection at the moment because I know I've got new projects in the pipeline. What's fantastic is we still own the brand name, which allows us to explore some exciting new opportunities for licences and collaborations with others.

'I am a creative director and I love having the freedom just to be that without having a business with seven stores and 65 employees and all that goes with it.

'One of the conversations we're currently having is about the possibility of reaching a much wider audience with affordable, but beautiful, wardrobe staples.

'It's so exciting, the thought that many more women could be wearing a Wakeley design that's wellconceived, well-cut, sustainably produced, ethically sourced...

'Last summer, I had a clean sheet of paper in front of me and could say, 'OK, this is hopefully the second half of my adult life. What am I going to do to make a difference? For me, life has always been about having purpose and evolving.'

duvet from life's blows? 'Never' ■ AMANDA WAKELEY: Style DNA is available on all major podcast platforms.





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HOW TO DRESS LIKEAGROWN

Shane Watson

OMETHING to celebrate about fashion these days: useful things tend to stick around. This is partly because we like to hold on to what works and

save our pennies and it's partly because we don't always recognise something's potential right away. Not even if that thing is a slip-on loafer, otherwise known as the new sensible shoe.

Loafers of all shapes and sizes, particularly the chunkier sort, have been in the fashion charts for a couple of years — and this autumn they are everywhere. In my local M&S last week, in the section marked Leather

Smart Shoes, there were nothing but loafers on display. You can pick up a Tu loafer in your local Sainsbury's, and in & Other Stories there are 18 styles of loafers — 19 if you count the backless, fur-lined ones

There's no doubt that if you want a really safe bet for the dreary, puddly months to come, it is a loafer. Even so, I bet you don't necessarily own a pair. Yet.

That is probably because chunky-soled loafers remind Us of school shoes we might have worn a hundred years ago. You look at them and think of Britney Spears in the Baby One More Time video (loafers, overknee socks, micro school skirt), which is not at all the look we're aiming for.

The other stumbling block is the question of when would we actually wear a loafer? Your daughter is pulling on hers with three-quarter grey, wool socks and a short skirt (hoping to look like something off the Miu Miu catwalk). She likes the preppiness of them and the way they smarten up sporty track pants.

But what about Us?

HE answer is loafers plus tailored trousers. Any kind of trouser shape from slim and cropped to wide and straight will instantly look smarter and work-friendly. (In theory, you can wear loafers with dresses and skirts, but for me that always ends up looking too old-school librarian, especially where tights are involved and a pair of boots will always look better.)

Penny loafers are also a new way of tidying up denim and if you were considering wearing pleather trousers — there are almost as many of them around as there are loafers - a cropped black pair looks best finished off with a plain or horsebitbuckle loafer.

Something about this masculine neat shoe makes leather look chic and everyday, rather than rock 'n' roll. In the Gucci show, tweedy trousers were teamed with black loafers and white socks, so no need to worry about the barefoot rule, by the way. Don't wear them with pop socks though; there

Loafers: The sensible shoe that became (sort of) sexy



Smart look: Kendall Jenner

is something ageing about flat shoes and tights

As for the style of loafer, the solution to the chunky issue is to err on the side of solid rather than stacked. What makes loafers look modern is a little bit more substance — but that doesn't mean you need to opt for track soles, and I wouldn't.

Kin does a solid-soled loafer that gives you a bit of lift and chunkiness (£65, johnlewis com) or & Other Stories does a penny loafer with a chunky heel and a rubber sole (£100, stories.com). This is the sweet spot of loafers — not too Miss Moneypenny but not too stompy.

There's room for the classic penny loafer in your wardrobe of course and M&S Collection does an excellent version (£49.50, marksandspencer. com) as does Clarks (£67, clarks.co.uk), but outside the office I think plainer loafers



With denim: Katie Holmes

look better in a colour or with a chunky heel or both. I like Vagabond's in pale beige patent with a silver chain (£125, vagabond.com).

Off-white loafers look surprisingly good, particularly with dark denim or cream or tweeds or plaids.

Loafers with metal details across the vamp — Gucci style horsebits or solid bar buckles - are going strong and they add a bit of dash to plain tailoring. Brown loafers are more casual, and if you like a tassel loafer then brown (£75, dune london.com) is the way to go.

You can get most of these styles in leopard, mock croc or snake but then the sensible point of them begins to get lost. If in doubt, stick with black.

And if you just can't get your head around loafers - perhaps because you want more height from your shoes -you can always get some platform loafers like the ones Julia Roberts is holding in the promotional picture for her new romcom (£149, lkbennett.com).

Silk headscarf, sunglasses, heeled loafers, it's the new glamour kit. Still pretty sensible though.

How to strike Trench coat, £180, cos. com; boots, Dress, £290, cefinn.com; £120, river courts, £279, Ikbennett. island.com; com; earrings, £32, bag, £390, susancapian.co.uk; demellier bracelet, £69, london.com; ottomanhands.com; earrings, ring (worn throughout), £45, jigsaw-£22, orelia.co.uk online.com ETTING dressed in

the dog days of autumn, before the clocks go back, can be a challenge. It's still not quite cold enough to break out the opaques, but bare legs and floral frocks feel freezing and look wrong. So hurrah for the corduroy revival

— the perfect solution to transition dressing. Made from cotton, pieces

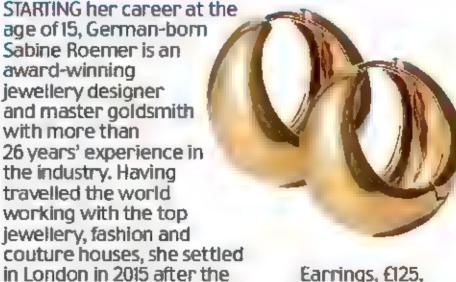
by Sasha Wilkins

in this versatile fabric let your skin breathe but feel cosy and can be layered with T-shirts, turtlenecks or cardigans.

When I was a young girl, my favourite skirt was a needlecord Laura Ashley number. With that nostalgic thought in mind, I've just invested in a rose-pink Boden needlecord dress.

Atelier Romy

Sabine Roemer is an award-winning jewellery designer and master goldsmith with more than 26 years' experience in the industry. Having travelled the world working with the top jewellery, fashion and couture houses, she settled in London in 2015 after the birth of her daughter, Romy,



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THE NEW WAY TO WEAR LOAFERS

- WEAR with socks but not tights.
- AVOID heavy-tread soles.
- TRY off-white with dark denim or tweed.
- GO FOR a solid sole.

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It's just as wearable as my beloved childhood skirt but given a grown up spin with smocked cuffs and tie belt.

This sums up the reinvention of cord. It has left behind its long association with geography teacher's jackets and is now supple enough to be drawn into an elasticated wristbands, puffed shoulders, or fall gently in folds to the calves in a midi dress.

Cefinn's scarlet frock (£290) is a case in point, and versatile enough to take you from work meeting to wedding. As you might have guessed — beige is

out. The new cord is all about jeweltoned pieces and floral prints.

Forget the flapping, unstructured flares of 50 years ago, the wide-leg cords of 2022 have gentle trumpet legs and elastane so the fabric moves with your body and, crucially, makes your bottom look good.

Empowered to go head-to-toe? Try a trouser suit such as Yolke's bold threepiece in cobalt.

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24 AGED

IN 1999, 'Scary Spice' was at the height of girlband fame but still looked a tad babyfaced. Her cheeks appear slightly flushed and minimal mascara and eye-shadow fail to draw attention to her brown eyes.



THEN & WOW MELANIE BROWN

The women who look better now than ever before

TODAY, 'Mel B' is radiant with expertlyapplied coverage and a hint of blusher accentuating those angular cheekbones. A smoky eye, bold lashes and a touch of lipstick complete this stylish look.

The one lesson I've learned from life

Jason 'Foxy' Fox

FORMER Royal Marines Commando Jason 'Foxy' Fox, 46, is best known as a presenter on Channel 4's reality series SAS: Who Dares Wins. In 2018 he wrote a best-selling memoir, Battle Scars. Jason is divorced and lives with his partner in London.

HOW LIVING IN THE MOMENT SAVED ME

I STEPPED away from committing suicide in 2013. The year before I had been medically discharged from the military after 20 years for PTSD (posttraumatic stress disorder) and that's when I lost my way. In the next year I found myself in the emotional state of wanting to finish it.

But I found a brilliant therapist, Alex, and we'd go for walks together. One day there was a kid in the woods, about 18 months old, with her mum. Alex said: 'Pay attention to what the child is doing.' After about half an hour it was



clear that this kid was just living in the moment. She did her own thing, fell over, cried, got up again, and did it again. She wasn't thinking about the past, wasn't worried about the future and didn't over-think things. It was such an important lesson.

Towards the end of my military career I'd got married, had a kid and was still going off fighting. I was in a ditch in a horrific gunfight — one of my squadron had just been killed — and that's when my mental health problems began.

I got divorced and had no money and was sleeping on friends' sofas. I couldn't get a job in security because my mental health problems were on my record. I lost the ability to live in the moment and was over-thinking things.

That's how I got so low — it was thanks to therapy and watching that toddler that I learned how to change things

Eventually, I got a job working as a medic for a TV crew, then a friend at Channel 4 recommended me for SAS. Who Dares Wins, which I joined in 2015. On the show I push myself to do things that are scary because it teaches me to live in the moment.

I started a mental health organisation, Rock 2 Recovery, to help veterans dealing with mental health issues like I had, to show them there is a way back.

■ JASON and Ollie Ollerton's fitness programme Battle Ready 360: The Mission Series is available at truconnect fit.

Interview: VICKI POWER

and launched her demi-fine jewellery brand. Wanting to create designs that have the feel and quality of high jewellery but at an affordable price point, Sabine works with her all-female team to create each piece by hand before it goes into production. Prices start at £89 for a sterling silver gold-plated collarbone chain or gold-plated signet ring.

ALEXANDRIA DALE

SCIENCE-BACKED SKINCARE Packed with nourishing ingredients, La Roche-Posay is the number one dermatologist-recommended brand in the UK*

JUGE amounts of us have a slightly dry, irritated skin,' explains consultant dermatologist Dr Justine Hextall. 'As dermatologists we really wish people wouldn't use such harsh products on their skin.'

La Roche-Posay products, which are formulated with the brand's exclusive thermal spring water, are designed to restore skin's moisture levels and support the skin barrier function. In fact, the Lipikar and Cicaplast ranges are so gentle that they are suitable for babies aged from three months. They are also suitable for use on eczema-prone skin and by patients undergoing cancer treatment.

OPTIMAL SKINCARE

Dr Hextall explains that for optimal skincare, especially for sensitive skin, you need to look for products with humectant ingredients that are going to draw moisture to the skin, such as glycerin, pantheno B5 and hyaluronic acid. She adds: 'Then you want to seal that skin, so you don't lose that moisture, with things like shea butter. Ceramides, which are real y important, are like the cement in the brick wall of your skin barrier.'

The hero product in the Lipikar body care range has been created as a soothing moisturiser, providing up to 48 hours of hydration. The unique Aqua posae and microresyl formula in the Lipikar Baume AP+M helps rebalance the skin barrier function and helps reduce the frequency of dry skin flare-ups.

The Cicaplast range has also been developed for use on dry,



Left: Cicaplast

uncomfortable and irritated skin. Dr Hextall says: 'It is formulated panthenol [vitamin B5]. It's unique in that it is humectant, so it draws moisture to the skin, but it's also emollient so it stops loss of moisture. It is very soothing.'

Add in copper, manganese and zinc, along with madecassoside and vitamin E, and the Cicaplast Baume B5+ formula is ideally suited for use on dry skin patches to hydrate and protect skin, thanks to its occlusive barrier-like texture.

If we look after our skin barrier it will look after us. So for gentle, soothing products that we can make part of our everyday skincare routine, Dr Hextall recommends La Roche-Posay.

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After its post-lockdown slump... Peloton is back with a £25 class we can ALL join

OP music blasts and my spirits soar as I push myself harder, lit by blue spotlights in a studio where cameras film every angle. We're being watched by an audience of 70.456 and counting.

70,456 and counting.

I am at Peloton's first exercise class opened to the public at its state-of-the-art London studios. I'm under the tutelage of star instructor Leanne Hainsby and the class is being streamed live to tens of thousands of viewers at home.

The fitness platform's popularity soared during the pandemic, when we could only exercise at home. Everyone from Rishi Sunak to Sporty Spice declared themselves a fan, and the glamorous instructors became celebrities in their own right.

Critics scoffed at the cost — its stationary bike with attached screen is priced from £1,345, plus £39 a month to access online classes. But Peloton's cult-like following grew and the company acquired a whopping 7 million members worldwide.

However, when gyms reopened, Peloton's share price plummeted and sales of its bikes — which once had waiting lists — stalled.

Perhaps summing up its flailing fortunes, Peloton was even blamed for the death of the character Mr Big, from TV show Sex And The City, who had a heart attack while riding the bike in the cult show's reboot — And Just Like That — last December

The firm hopes that opening some of its classes to the public will boost interest—and, so far, the plan seems to be working

When bookings for the £25 classes opened this summer they sold out quickly, and there are waiting lists for the more popular dates in the coming months.

F ALL the UK Peloton instructors, Leanne, 35, a former backing dancer for Taylor Swift and One Direction, is the best known. Her honed physique and 320,000 Instagram followers belie a girl-next-door demeanour. Engaged to fellow instructor Ben Alldis, 29, the couple are Britain's highest-profile fitness influencers. But call her a celebrity at your peril.

'Because of the pressure we're under, it would be very obvious if we were being anything less than ourselves,' says Leanne.

She has relished the opportunity to meet the legions of fans who say she helped save their sanity during the pandemic.

'I want people who meet me to think: "Oh, you're exactly the same",' she says. 'It's hopefully motivating and inspiring.

'The difference with members being in the studio is there's that magic of being able to feel people's energy.'

I've been a Peloton subscriber since February 2021. I'm obsessed with its instructors and take around five classes a week, so I jump at the chance to get a front



Workout with a twist: Leanne Hainsby (left) and Antonia

by Antonia Hoyle

row (bike) seat for Leanne's 30-minute Pop Ride, curious as to how the virtual experience will translate to real life.

Can I push myself as hard when I know I'm on camera? Is this just the return of the exercise class, albeit with a modern twist?

Peloton's Central London HQ is part film set, part fitness palace. It's open to the public from Friday to Sunday, when bike and tread (running) classes are filmed by producers in glass-fronted control rooms. Attendees must arrive 45 minutes before a class starts.

I'm ushered to changing rooms, replete with designer shower gel and Dyson hairdryers, to get into my exercise kit. We are requested to wear 'non-distracting' clothes. Tops must be kept on and attire must be 'family-friendly'.

I pick some cycling shoes in my size from a rack. They have cleats underneath that attach to the pedals and hire is included in the class price.

When the doors open, we're directed to our bikes. Mine gulp — is closest to Leanne.

Excitement has reached fever pitch by the time she is ushered in by security staff. Flawless in a crop top, leggings and make-up, she tests her microphone, beaming at us all as the digital clock counts down and we go live.

'This is a moment — for me, for you, for all of us,' she rallies us, rock-star style, as we warm up to Rick Astley's Never Gonna Give You Up. (To her credit, Leanne never claims to be cool.)

As the ride progresses, she gives 'shout-outs' to names on

the leader board — some of whom are with us in person, some at home following the live stream — whose milestones are visible to instructors

When London Mama Bear, in the studio, is congratulated on completing 400 rides, we whoop. I wonder if I'm becoming too American, but the camaraderie is contagious and any plans not to turn into a sweaty wreck are discarded as I pedal harder.

I'm so busy pondering how Leanne stays immaculate midworkout (later, she tells me she has a 'sneaky fan' trained on her) that I miss her call out my name.

'Where's AntOnTheBike?' she asks again.

Waving my hands hysterically in thrilled acknowledgement, I nearly lose my balance.

By the end, I haven't achieved a PR (Peloton speak for personal record), but I'm not far off.

Leanne is led to the instructors' green room for a 'pat down and a spruce' before meeting us to pose for pictures. Nobody refuses.

'My job is to get people sweaty, but they always apologise when I squeeze them in for a hug,' she laughs, recalling a mother who brought her two children to the studio last weekend.

'They know Mummy rides with Sparkly Leanne and kept poking me — I think they thought I was a real-life action hero or cartoon character who'd come to life. It was a lovely moment. They'd travelled for hours to get here.'

Given that I've journeyed for two hours today, I'm not sure I'll be a class regular when I can just hop on my bike at home.

But for the sense of occasion, I can certainly see the appeal — and whatever the cynics say, I'd wager the classes will be booked up for some time to come.

■ studio.onepeloton.co.uk

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DR MAX THEMIND DOCTOR

Let NHS psychiatrist Max Pemberton transform your life

Parents-to-be: Molly-Mae Hague

and partner

Tommy Fury

Sorry, but Alexa is making children SO rude!

AVING dinner at a younger relative's house a few months ago, I inadvertently sent everyone into fits of giggles when I spoke to the Alexa.

'Hello Alexa, could you please tell me what the weather forecast is next weekend, thank you?' I asked. I don't

spoke to her. I didn't understand what I'd done wrong.

'Why are you talking like that?' someone asked. I looked blankly. 'You're so polite,' said the host, who is in her 20s. 'You don't have to say "please" or "thank you".' She demonstrated

have an Alexa, so I had no idea that this wasn't how you

by berating the poor device.

'It just sounds a bit... rude,' I winced. 'It's like having a slave.' Everyone laughed and rolled their eyes at how quaint and old-fashioned I was.

I know it's just a machine and doesn't have feelings, but it still felt brusque and, well, a bit horrible. Surely it's a slippery slope from barking orders at a machine to shouting at real-life people?

So I felt somewhat vindicated last week, when I read that experts have raised concerns that Alexa, Siri and Google Home voice-controlled devices, popular in homes worldwide — may have long-term consequences for children. The worry is that these machines could impede children's learning skills, critical thinking and — as I'd suspected — empathy.

R ANMOL ARORA, a researcher at Cambridge University, argued that the devices may affect child development for a number of reasons. When they ask a question they receive a 'specific' and 'concise' answer, but this goes against how children typically learn

Traditionally, children piece together bits of information to create a web of knowledge, rather than try to assimilate random facts that don't necessarily tie together or have context or, crucially, explanation of the reasoning behind the answer.

So the knowledge they get from the devices may well be technically correct, but it is nowhere near as enriching as if the child has asked a real, live person the question.

It gives them the knowledge but not the understanding. Because they don't have to search for the answer, they don't advance their critical thinking or

logical reasoning

And it's not just young children who are affected either. I've noticed this with 20-something doctors who are so used to having every piece of knowledge at their fingertips, thanks to internet search engines, they seem to lack the ability to extrapo-

ability to extrapooffered to pray for late and answer patients has been forced any question to attend a course on they can't houndaries. But Isn't this an Google. They example of a doctor acting lack the ability to problem notistically? The reality is that solve or to use prayer can be powerful. I'm their knowledge reminded of that line by to solve any Tennyson: More things unusual clinical are wrought by prayer problems they than this world

If you think that's alarming, consider Dr

Arora's other suggestion: that devices like Alexa might also hinder children's social development precisely because voice assistants can't teach them how to behave politely—there is no need to say 'please' or 'thank you' or use a considerate tone of voice

The lack of ability to engage in non-verbal communication

makes using the devices a poor method of learning social interaction. While in normal human interactions, a child would usually receive feedback if they were to behave inappropriately, this is beyond the scope of a smart device, 'Dr Arora argued. In other words, Alexa can't tell them off for being rude.

Ready for another depressing fact? Research has shown that children in a home with a device speak to it daily, while talking to their grandparents

only every ten days.

The same poll found that nearly threequarters admitted they didn't say 'please' or 'thank you' when speaking to the smart speakers. I can't help but feel this must affect their interaction with people. How do you make the distinction between demanding Alexa play the latest Taylor Swift single and asking

words like 'please', 'thank you' and 'sorry' are powerful social lubricants. They make the world run smoothly, they signify respect and humility. They are an acknowledgement of the humanity of others. Surely that's incredibly important?

It is myopic that we don't pay

more attention to the impact technology is having on the younger generation.

I think part of the lapse in standards of English is because of technology — texting has meant children aren't used to forming proper sentences.

HESE devices also impact on young people's non-verbal communication including things such as eye contact. One colleague recently told me how so many children she comes across today struggle to look her in the eye.

I noticed this at a talk I gave to teenagers in a deprived part of London as part of a project to encourage more to apply to university. Afterwards, they dutifully lined up to speak to me and I was astonished by how few of them actually looked at me.

Instead, they stared at the floor and mumbled. I realised they are so used to communicating through instant messaging that they don't know how to interact with someone who is sitting in front of them.

There's no doubt technology has been a force for good. But please don't tell me it isn't also having a detrimental effect on how young people are developing. Thank you.

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No shame in being a young mum

FORMER Love Island contestant Molly-Mae Hague is expecting a baby with her partner Tommy Fury. Some have criticised her for being too young to start a family. They argue she has barely lived yet. Gosh, isn't it strange how attitudes change? Just a generation or so ago, 23 would have been a perfectly acceptable age to have a child. My mum had me in her early 30s and was considered a geriatric mother. What's more, Molly has endometriosis, which can affect fertility, so surely, having a baby young is better than risking a lifetime of sorrow by leaving it too late and discovering it's not possible? At a recent barbecue, I was astonished that of the six couples there, five had undergone fertility treatment. All the women had put off motherhood because of their careers and several were now lamenting that decision.

LAST week's shocking BBC Panorama investigation into a mental health hospital should make the NHS hang its head in shame. The undercover exposé showed NHS carers lock an autistic woman in a tiny room for nearly a month, Mental health workers also slapped, pinched and swore at patients. While this programme focused on one unit, it's clear this kind of shocking abuse occurs elsewhere. It's not just the examples of blatant abuse that anger me. I worry about the insidious neglect that goes on in so many institutions — where often residents are fed and watered but little else. I know all the explanations for this — poorly paid staff, inadequate training, burn-out from the stresses of the job and so on. But, there comes a point when I just think: enough with the excuses. Things must improve -now!

DR MAX PRESCRIBES... MY FAVOURITE SLEEP AID

IF YOU struggle to drop off at night I can recommend this new chewable anti-stress and sleep supplement, It contains a clever combination of lactoferrin, an anti-inflammatory



protein from cow's milk, vitamin B6 and Lactium, a powerful yet natural milk protein hydrolysate that's supposed to induce a relaxed state similar to that in babies when they've been fed. From £34.99 for 15 tablets, leapfrogremedies.com

INSPIRE

ROM interest rates to the weekly shop, the cost of living is rising faster than it has for decades. But the question is: has the price of happiness gone up as well? And if so, what can we do about it?

Let's set things straight. Yes, money matters for happiness. If you've ever had to choose between putting food on the table and paying the electricity bill, this is not news to you. While money is not a guarantee of happiness, being without money is a common cause of stress, worry and unhappiness.

I work at the Happiness Research Institute in Copenhagen. No, we don't eat ice cream all day and stare at puppies. We look at data, studies and evidence to understand why some people are happier than others and what we can do to improve quality of life. One of our focus areas is how to decouple wealth from wellbeing. How can we get bang for our buck when it comes to happiness?

This is what hygge is all about. Hygge, a Danish tradition that has recently become a global phenomenon, is, after all, about living the good life on a tight budget. It is the enjoyment of simple pleasures. It is the art of



creating a nice, warm, comforting atmosphere. While inflation is rising, we are all still in pursuit of the good life — and hygge can be a vital ingredient in this endeavour as it does not require a fat wallet. Far from it. Hygge is not extravagant and wasteful, it's about making the best of what you have.

Here are eight ideas on how you can implement hygge to make your home a happier one this winter:

MAKE TIME TO ENJOY SPECIAL FAMILY DINNERS

ONE recent study from the Social Issues Research Centre showed that 47 per cent of Brits said they would like to have more family dinners, either at home or at a family member's house, and 49 per cent of people in Britain consider family dinners to be the most important way of spending quality time together.

Homemade dinners are cheaper, healthier

and more hygge. For the past decade, I've been interested in the question: how can we eat better? Not just from a nutritional perspective but from a happiness one as well.

There's a lot of evidence to support the wellbeing value of family meals, with studies showing dinners with those nearest to you are associated with higher than average grades for teenagers; a stronger sense of belonging; better communication skills; less obesity and fewer depressive symptoms. In other words, the dinner table is the one place where you can have a positive impact on the physical and mental wellbeing of friends and family.

FOLLOW THE SUN LIKE YOUR CAT DOES

FAMOUSLY, there are three things that matter in property: location, location, location. When it comes to the hygge home,

however, it is: lighting, lighting, lighting.
According to the World Health Organisation, people who report inadequate natural light in their homes are at greater risk of depression.

Integrating natural light into homes, or arranging our homes to make the most of the light, will boost your mood and reduce the need for artificial lighting — good for the

> wallet and the planet. Plan your day by using the path of the sun. My work desk is by the window, where the rays of the rising sun enter the room, whereas we have dinner in a room where the setting sun enters the house. Basically, follow your cat. If there is a strip of light, this is where you sit. Purring optional.

CANDLES REALLY DO HAVE A SPECIAL MAGIC

SMALL changes to your home can have a big impact on your mood. Switch the lamps around, change the decor or just light a candle.

'After I read The Little Book Of Hygge, I went out and bought two candelabras and we started lighting them at dinner,' one of my readers told me. He and his wife have three sons: one aged 15 (at the time) and 18-year-old twins. When he first started to light candles for dinner, his boys teased him.

'What's with the romance, Dad? Do you want to have dinner alone with Mum?' But soon he noticed small changes around the dinner table. Time seemed to slow down. The teenagers became more talkative. The change in atmosphere put the boys in storytelling mood.

'They don't just shovel in the food any more, they sip their drinks, they tell us about their day.' Their family dinners now last 15 to 20 minutes longer. By making this simple change, dinnertime is no longer just about food — it is about hygge. And now the boys are the ones who light the candles for dinner.

CREATE A SEASONAL SELL-BY-DATE SHELF

HYGGE is not about having it all; it's about enjoying what you have. It taps into the old virtues of being frugal. It follows the traditions of earlier generations who didn't throw away things because they were broken, but learned how to fix them, to repair clothes rather than buy new ones, to use the food they had rather than let it go to waste.

There is nothing hygge about wasting food. A recent report showed that UK households waste 4.5 million tonnes of food a year — £14 billion worth: that's £700 for the average family each year. Creating a 'retirement shelf' in your fridge should help combat this wastage. It's where you store the foods that need to be eaten soonest, so that you can easily identify and use up these items rather than losing them at the back of the fridge, then chucking them out.

GET STOCKED UP READY FOR WINTER

A WELL-STOCKED pantry is comforting. If there is something to eat at home in the fridge or kitchen cupboard, you can hunker down during events beyond your control, be that a storm or a pandemic.

Stocking up and creating a small pantry also means respecting the ebb and flow of seasonality in nature. Eating seasonally means eating or



ITHINK one of the best things we can give to our children is an understanding of where we can find joy and wellbeing without spending money. Many of us organise our social life around restaurant visits or bars. So if money becomes tight, we risk becoming isolated.

To counter that, suggest to your friends that you set up a 'free fun fellowship', where each member of the group takes a turn in planning an inexpensive activity to host at home (think board games, charades). No wonder hygge has been called socialising for introverts.

preserving foods that are grown and harvested locally. Hygge is also about enjoying the process of stocking the pantry, appreciating the preparation and looking forward to the delicious results you'll enjoy tucked up at home on a quiet, wintry evening. So get stewing, pickling and bottling.

THROW EVERYTHING INTO PIZZA NIGHTS

USE what you have - and make the best of it. Become familiar with catch-all recipes. Do you have some tomatoes, two lumps of cheese, an onion, half a courgette, an almost empty jar of olives and some leftover meat? Good news — it's pizza night! Think soups, risottos, ragouts and casseroles to soak up your leftovers into new meals.

Berries and other fruit that's going off can be turned into jam or put into cakes. Apples, rhubarb or oranges? Melt some sugar in an ovenproof pan, add butter and then the fruit. Let it simmer for a few minutes. Take the pan off the heat and allow to cool for a few minutes. Then cover the fruit with some puff pastry and tuck it down the sides (be careful, as the sugar may still be hot).

Prick the pastry with a fork and bake in a pre-heated oven at 200c (400f) for 25 minutes. Leave to cool for ten minutes, then put a plate on top of the pan and flip it. Your tarte tatin (if you're using apples) is ready for an afternoon of pure hygge.

FREEZER LISTS ON YOUR PHONE

WHEN you put something in the freezer, you think, I can see this is bolognese and I will know it is bolognese three months from now.' The thing is, three months from now, you will have added three other containers of brownish leftovers, so it is now



TRACK LISTING

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- 3. The Camival Is Over 4. Someday, One Day
- 5. Walk With Me
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- 11. Island Of Dreams

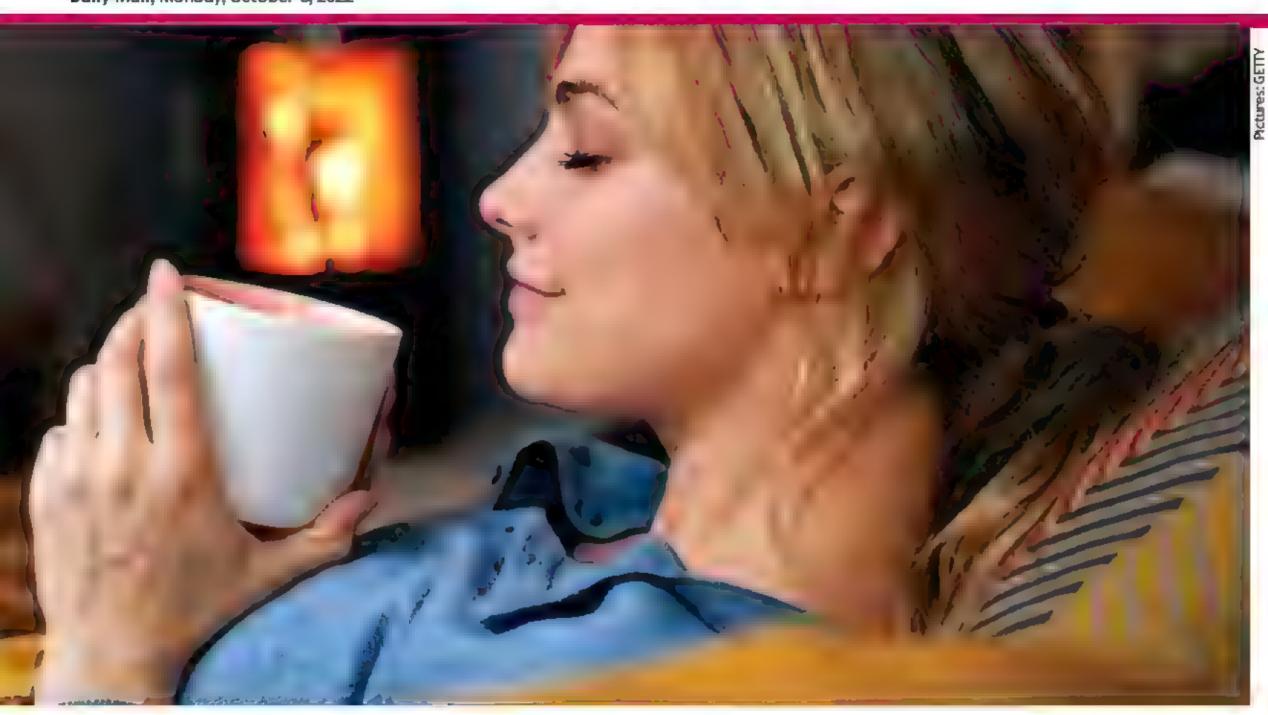
- 12. Open Up Them Pearly Gates
- 13. Kumbaya
- 14. Blowin' In The Wind
- 15. The Wreck Of The Old 97
- 16. Lemon Tree
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Dally Mall, Monday, October 3, 2022



As the nights draw in and costs keep rising, hygge is back — with quirky and affordable ways to help keep us cosy

Why cats and candlelight hold the secret to happiness this winter

difficult to tell what this frozen lump of brown is and you may well end up eating spaghetti with duck sauce. So make sure you label your leftovers clearly

In addition to this, I find it useful to have an up-to-date list on my phone of what there is in the freezer. It is good to know on an evening when you get home from work later than expected that you have something in the freezer that can be put in a pot, left on the stove and — voila! — dinner is ready. Lamb casserole,

minestrone soup and duck ragout are just some of my go-tos.

FALL OUT OF LOVE WITH YOUR CAR

TRANSPORT is more hygge on foot or two wheels. OK, it might not be possible to ditch the car, depending on where you live, but with fuel prices so steep, it just doesn't make sense that more than 60 per cent of short one-to-two mile journeys are

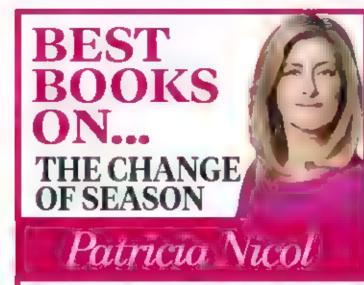
made by a car or bus in the UK. Use your bike for these trips if you can. Yes, I am applying my superpowers as a naive Danish guy who thinks most trips can be made on a bike and that you can have groceries in a basket or backpack, but why not?

After all, the British Household Panel Survey found that people who change from cars to walking or cycling improved their psychological wellbeing even if the trip took longer.

Hopefully, these steps ignite

an understanding that the good life builds on connection and purpose, and everyday simple pleasures. That our wealth is not measured by the size of our bank accounts, but by the strength of our bonds, the health of our loved ones — and the sound of the ragout simmering on the stove

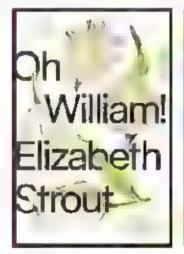
■ MY HYGGE HOME: How To Make Home Your Happy Place by Meik Wiking (£16.99, Penguin Life) is out now.

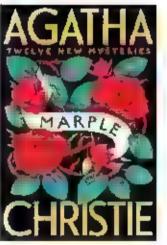


AT THE close of the News At Ten last Wednesday, a weatherman enthused geekily about 'just how quickly it's going dark'. Steady on, I thought, as he explained that in London we have been losing three minutes and 50 seconds of light daily, while in Lerwick, Shetland, a sobering five and half minutes.

The summer of record-breaking heat and drought is well and truly over. But I am still resisting tights and Jumpers: In the South, at least, temperatures remain mild.

There is, though, that back-to-school, bittersweet pull: one of summer's end, but also new terms and projects. Novels capture that atmosphere eloquently. Elizabeth Strout's Booker-shortlisted Oh William! takes two characters in their autumn years, widowed novelist Lucy Barton and her first husband William, and sends them to Maine together. The weather is 'warm, but not too





warm', rather like Lucy's feelings for William, which veer between fondness and exasperation.

John Williams's poignant Stoner is one of the saddest novels I have read. Stoner is an English professor at the University of Missouri. His marriage is disastrous, but he does, briefly, find romantic happiness eisewhere: The fall semester began that September in an intensely colourful Indian summer that came after an early frost. Stoner returned to his classes with an eagerness that he had not felt for a long time...'

The eagerness to return to one's life as autumn gets under way is captured in Leigh Bardugo's The Disappearance, the concluding story in Marple, a new collection of 12 short stories by contemporary writers all featuring Agatha Christie's elderly sleuth, Miss Marple.

Bardugo's story begins in London, where Miss Marple, having spent several weeks at her nephew Raymond's chilly 'fashionable flat', is hankering for her own cosy cottage home. When her friend summons her back to St Mary Mead to solve a mystery, she is not disappointed.

Throw yourself into autumn projects — but also indulge in the last of any autumnal sun. We're all expecting a harder winter.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS FROM HISTORY

Delightful lost tips from the Daily Mail archives

ORANGE cakes will be more delicious if the icing sugar is mixed with boiling orange juice instead of boiling water.

ORIGINS: Daily Mail, February 11, 1931

Hannah Betts Better...not younger

O MUCH about remaining current—and agedefiant—is how you accept and reject trends: knowing who you are, yet being prepared to evolve; embracing change,

while fending off the lunatic.
The spring 2022 catwalks featured the following autumn/winter propositions: barely-there foundation, bleached brows; blue eyeshadow; brown lipstick; night beauty (disco-dolly glitter, metallics, crystals, pearls and sequins about eyes); graphic eyeliner plus colour; vinyl, supershiny lips and deliberately imprecise lids, blush and lips.

Last month's London Fashion Week added bolts of colour; brows like razored dinosaur-spikes and hair that

was not so much glossy as glutinous. I say vote 'yes' for flashes of colour, which invariably feel au courant, and barely-there base which a lot of us older birds favour regardless.

brows, haphazard slap, glue hair).

Brown lips would be a hard no, if we're talking that Nineties', greenish-black incarnation that renders teeth yellow and faces unearthly. Not today, Satan. However, hazel hues do work for many warm-toned women, otherwise why would nude lipsticks prove such a perennial?

Glossier has just launched a new Generation G — its ultrawearable, poutily pre-blotted lip flush In Malt, a sensual cinnamon that women are going wild for (£14). While the Parisian choice is Chanel's limited-edition collection of Rouge Allure nude lipsticks (£35, chanel.com), plus (permanent) Le Vernis

OR my money, the most joyous means of high-fiving fashion is a blue eyelid. I know, I know, those of us

Tawny nail lacquers (£25).

brought up in the 1960s, 70s or 80s may feel a tad queasy about blue — as baby blue 60s dollybirds morphed into electric blue disco divas. Blue reappeared in the early 2000s by way of frosted shades swept up to our missingin-action eyebrows.

Small wonder make-up rebelled with muddy, Kardashian-style taupes. However, it is these that are now feeling a bit naff, dull and old hat, while blue is undergoing a revival.

I've always been a blue broad: as a cool, blue-pink toned type,

Blueeye shadow: Feelthe fear — In your ditch list, I recommend anything actively damaging (conjunctivitis-provoking eye décor, say), or so barkingly unflattering as to provoke outright mirth (dino



Race you to it!

WITH the addition of new blue and green pigments, L'Oreal's fiendishly popular True Match Super Blendable Foundation (£9,99) becauseum) is improving its diversity for those of us with pale: olive: or dark skin: Nine colours join the 48-shade line up, so 99.5 per cent of the world's women are

sapphires bring out the chill of my skin, berry of my lips, the

now catered for

green of my eyes. That said, to demonstrate how blue can work on warm-complexioned 40-pluses, last autumn the U.S. make-up artist Mary Phillips created a fierce look for 53-year old Jennifer Lopez that demonstrated how stunning the

colour can prove when you have bronze and caramel tones.

Feeling intimi-dated? Start with navy liner, an offblack brilliant at emphasising the whites of mid-life eyes. Victoria Beckham Beauty Satin Kajal Liner in Navy Noir provides a sophisticated, adult take: gliding, comfortable, longwearing (£22, victoria beckham.com).

From there, cool girls might experiment with Revolution Beauty's Kohl Eyeliner in Blue (£3, revolution beauty.com), a fantastic forget-me-not; warm tones should

opt for Revolution's Aqua liner (£3), a sludgy teal.

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An all-over wash might be the next tentative step. Morphe 2 Jelly Eye Shimmer in Starry Sky (£10, asos.com) is a buildable iridescent gel that can be styled

to be as subtle or spectacular as required, setting with no undereye spillage

Beyond this, the world is your lobster. Kiko is a great place to play, with its single, bright, Smart-colour Eyeshadows from £4.99 (kikocosmetics.com) Zara's Eye Shadow Duos are terrific fun, too. Jealous & Jet (£11.99, zara.com) is a cerulean and azure combo, Cyber & Glitch, a satsuma and verdant turquoise.

A swathe of MAC's Matte Eyeshadow in Cobalt (£17, mac cosmetics.com) looks fabulously fresh, its cornflower aspect divine with emerald eyes. MAC's Atlantic Blue is no less powerfully peppy: a vivid Klein.

My all-time favourite palette, Bourjois Le Smoky (£5.29, amazon.co uk), features the greatest glittering indigo to lend interest to a standard smoky eye.

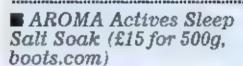
Or you could disco things up by working in Kiko's New Bright Duo Eyeshadow in Silver & Electric Blue (£8.99). I defy you not to be beguiled.

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■ Temple Spa Drift Away Aromatherapy Bath & Body Massage Oil (£26 for 100ml, templespa.com)

A SOOTHING cocktail of patchouli, lavender, geranium, frankincense, myrrh and orange.



My icon of the week

IN THE 1980s, the star, on tour at 61, cut and coloured her own hair with Clairol Born Blonde (try Clairol Blonde It Up Permanent High Lift, £5.99, boots.com). These days, she rates Dr Hauschka's organic wares (drhauschka.co.uk) and never leaves the house without eyebrow pencil and red lipstick.



CRAVING COSMETIC (

A PROFESSIONAL took my photograph the other day and

very nice it looked too — until I caught sight of my veined and haggardlooking hands, it was with relief, then, that I heard Margaret Dabbs was launching a



Pure Overnight Hand Mask (£30) (margaretdabbs.co.uk), its

> accompanying £10 treatment gloves free with purchase until the end of October. The cream is a lovely, bouncy unguent, rich in buriti oil, turmeric, water-lily and calendula, boosting moisture, collagen and elasticity.

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FIXER-UPPERS Renovation Nation, 4pm, Ch4

THIS new daytime series follows brave renovators from all over the UK as they attempt to transform crumbling period properties into dream homes. In the first episode, Rob and Tracey (pictured) start the huge task of turning their dilapidated castle in

Scotland into a wedding destination, while in Kent, John and Nicky want to give their historic oast house curve appeal.

DELICIOUSLY DARK DRAMA Inside Man, 9pm, BBC1

STEVEN MOFFAT'S blackly comic drama concludes over the next two nights as we find out whether David Tennant's nice vicar is capable of committing murder to protect his son. Meanwhile, Stanley Tucci's death row inmate is doing all he can to find the missing maths teacher before it's too late. Prepare for a shocking finale.



PICK OF TODAY'S TV

THE WALK-IN, 9PM, ITV

WRITTEN by the Oscarnominated and BAFTAwinning screenwriter Jeff Pope (A Confession, Philomena, Little Boy Blue). this gripping five-part drama is the true story of how a neo-Nazi plan to kill

an MP was foiled by an inside man. It begins in 2016 in the months leading up to the Brexit vote, when Britain was more divided than ever and immigration was the hot topic of the day. The brilliant Stephen Graham (pictured) gives a typically convincing performance as activist Matthew Collins, a reformed neo-Nazi now working as a journalist for the antiracist organisation Hope Not Hate,

who specialises in infiltrating far-Right groups with inside moles - or walk-ins - with the goal of publishing information about their activities online. After the horrific murder of MP Jo Cox by a white supremacist, Collins became even more determined to infiltrate one particularly dangerous group, National Action, but with no success. That was until one day in March 2017. when he received an email from a member of the group who revealed details of a plan to kill a second MP, and the men worked together to prevent this hideous crime. The whole of this slow-burning series will be available as a box set on ITV Hub after the first episode has aired.



BBC1

Breakfast (HD) Rip Off Britain (HD) The latest scams doing the rounds. 10.00 Crimewatch Live (HD) New series. Appeals for information from the

public about crimes. 10.45 Northern Justice (AD,HD) 11.15 Homes Under the Hammer (AD,R,HD) Properties in Wallasey, likeston and Salford.

12.15 Bargain Hunt (AD,HD) Charlie Ross presents the show from the Royal Cheshire County Showground.

BBC News at One; Weather (HD) 1.00 1.30 **BBC Regional News;** Weather Doctors (AD,HD) Jimmi struggles to absorb the drama of the last few days. Finn's pet chicken isn't well, and he decides Princess can help. London Kills (AD,R,HD) A cruelly

displayed corpse leads detectives to make questionable decisions. 3.00 Escape to the Country (AD,HD)

find a new home in Cornwall. Antiques Road Trip (HD) Mark Hill joins Roo Irvine in Scotland.

Sonali Shah helps a couple to

The Tournament (HD) Knockout quiz, hosted by Alex Scott. 5.15 Pointless (HD) Quiz show,

hosted by Alexander Armstrong. **BBC News at Six:** Weather (HD) BBC Regional News; Weather 6.30

The One Show (HD) Alex Jones and Jermaine Jenas present topical stories and celebrity chat. 7.30 EastEnders (AD,HD) Billy seeks solace in Sam, who offers him moral support, and Alfie takes

the boys to the theme park. 8.00 The Green Energy Scandal Exposed: Panorama (HD) Investigating the wood-burning Drax power station in Yorkshire.

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8.30 We Are England (R,HD) The workers behind the two Mini factories in Swindon and Oxford.

9.00 Inside Man (AD,HD) As Harry's dilemma worsens, the fate of PICK his family hangs in the balance. One of Jefferson Grieff's helpers in the outside world delivers a chilling warning to Beth.

10.00 BBC News at Ten (HD) 10.30 BBC Regional News (Followed by Weather) 10.40 Have I Got a Bit More News

for You (HD) Extended edition, with comedian Ria Lina and journalist Matt Chorley.

11.20 The Graham Norton Show (R,HD) The host — and his big sofa return, joined by guests Jamie Lee Curtis, Lydia West, Robbie Williams and David Tennant.

Ambulance (R,HD) Simon and 12.10 Jamie help a man with a head injury. 1.10 Weather for the Week Ahead (HD) 1.15 BBC News (HD)

BBC2

Bargain Hunt (AD, HD) 0.307.15 Antiques Road Trip (R,HD) Antiques Roadshow (BSL,R,HD) From Brodie Castle in Moray.

9.00BBC News (HD) 12.15 Politics Live (HD) The latest stories

from Westminster and beyond. 1.00 Chase the Case (R,HD) Strategic game show, hosted by Dan Walker. 1.45 Eggheads (R,HD) Quiz show,

hosted by Jeremy Vine. **Gardening Together with** Diarmuid Gavin (R,HD) The horticultural designer offers

advice and tips on gardening. The Great Northern Garden Build (R,HD) The creation of RHS Garden Bridgewater in Salford.

Home is Where the Art is (AD,R,HD) Artists create pieces for people they have never met. 4.30 Politics Live Conference 2022

(HD) Coverage of the Conservative Party gathering in Birmingham. 5.15 Flog It! (R,HD) Paul Martin visits Ickworth House near Bury St.

Edmunds in Suffolk. 5.00 Richard Osman's House of Games (HD) With Toby Anstis, Kerry Howard, Evelyn Mok and Joe Sugg. **6.30 Strictly: It Takes Two** (HD) Rylan

eliminated at the weekend. 7.00 The Crash Detectives (HD) The team must reconstruct the scene of a fatal crash to find out who is

chats to the couple who were

to blame. Last in series. 7.30 Mastermind (HD) Specialist subjects include Emily Wilding Davison and The Thick of It.

2.00 Only Connect (HD) The Jugadores take on the Harlequins.

8.30 University Challenge (HD) Glasgow takes on Queen's University Belfast.

Trouble at Topshop (HD) Philip Green faces hostility from the public after the economic crisis of 2008 and the onset of austerity measures, and Topshop finds itself challenged from all directions.

10.00 Stuck (AD, HD) Dan heads out on a shopping spree. Starring Dylan Moran and Morgana Robinson.

10.15 Stuck (AD, HD) Carla battles to contain Joy's anxiety.

10.30 Newsnight (HD) The day's news stories. (Followed by Weather)

11.15 Moonlight (2016) (15) **♦** (HD) A young African-American man grapples with his identity while grapples with his identity while experiencing the everyday struggles of childhood, adolescence and adulthood. Drama, starring Mahershala Ali.

1.00 Black Hollywood: 'They've Gotta Have Us' (AD,R,HD) 2.00 Sensationalists: The Bad Girls and Boys of British Art (R,HD) 3.00 The Hotel People (AD, BSL, R, HD) 4.00 Undercover Hospital: Patients at Risk (BSL,R,HD) 5.00 This is BBC2 (HD) Upcoming programmes.

I T.V

Good Morning Britain (HD) Morning magazine featuring a lively mix of news and current affairs, plus health and entertainment features.

9.00 Lorraine (HD) Entertainment, current affairs, fashion news, showbiz stories and celebrity gossip. Presented by Lorraine Kelly.

10.00 This Morning (HD) An entertaining mix of celebrity chat, lifestyle features, advice and competitions. Including Local Weather.

12.30 Loose Women (HD) Celebrity interviews and studio discussion from a female perspective. 1.30 News; Weather (HD)

1.55 Regional News; Weather (HD) Dickinson's Real Deal (AD,HD) David Dickinson and his team assess items brought in by members of

the public in Cheltenham. Tenable (HD) Five family members from Southport take part in the quiz, tackling a series of top-ten list questions as they attempt to win the top prize of £125,000. Warwick Davis hosts; Regional Weather

Tipping Point (HD) Quiz show,

hosted by Ben Shephard. The Chase (HD) Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. Regional News: Weather (HD)

News; Weather (HD)

Emmerdale (AD,HD) Aaron is 7.30 back, but it remains to be seen whether Liv can forgive him.

8.00 Coronation Street (AD,HD) Alya pursues a new line of enquiry, while Stu enjoys a family reunion, and Ronnie informs James of a career opportunity.

9.00 The Walk-In (AD,HD) New series. An activist from Hope Not Hate tries to penetrate an ultra-far-Right group who are planning to kill an MP. Fact-based drama, starring Stephen Graham.

10.05 News (HD) (Followed by Weather) 10.35 Regional News (HD)

(Followed by Weather) 10.50 Wear the Rose: An England Rugby Dream (AD,HD) Part one of two. Following the England women's rugby team.

11.50 All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (HD) Hard-hitting action from the world of All Elite Wrestling, featuring all of the biggest stars on the roster, including Adam Page and Chris Jericho.

Shop: Ideal World (HD) 3.00 On Assignment (BSL,R,HD) 3.30 For the Love of Britain (AD, BSL, R, HD) 3.55 Unwind with ITV (HD) 5.05 Dickinson's Real Deal (AD, BSL, R, HD)

CHANNEL 4

Countdown (R,HD) 6.10 3rd Rock from the Sun (AD,R) 6.50

7.15 3rd Rock from the Sun (AD,R) Everybody Loves Raymond (R) 7.35 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond (R)

Everybody Loves Raymond (R) 8.30 Frasier (AD,R) 9.00 Frasier (AD,R) 9.30

10.00 Frasier (AD,R) 10.30 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA (R) Lela's restaurant in California.

11.25 Channel 4 News Summary (HD) 11.30 Help! We Bought a Village (R,HD) Steph's Packed Lunch (HD) 12.30 Countdown (HD) Pat Nevin

is in Dictionary Corner. 3.00 A Place in the Sun (R,HD) A man and his daughter seek

the ideal property on Majorca. Renovation Nation (AD,HD) 4.00 New series. More renovators from all over the UK tackle

crumbling period properties. Four in a Bed (HD) 5.00 5.30 The Perfect Pitch (HD) Three

groups of committed campers explore The Highlands of Scotland. The Simpsons (AD,R) Homer and Bart transform the fortunes of a

losing racehorse. **6.30** Hollyoaks (AD,R,HD) One village resident finds himself in a potentially fatal predicament.

7.00 Channel 4 News (HD)

8.00 Food Unwrapped (AD,HD) Matt Tebbutt unbottles the mystery of sulphites in wine and hangovers.

8.30 Jamie's One-Pan Wonders (AD,HD) Jamie whips up super-speedy smashed lemongrass chicken.

9.00 24 Hours in A&E (AD,HD) New series. A motorcyclist

who lost control and went over the handlebars at high speed is sent for an urgent CT scan, having sustained significant damage to his back and neck.

10.00 Naked Attraction (AD,HD) Anna Richardson welcomes a pansexual Twitch streamer from Manchester who's hoping to make a connection in the real world, and a bondage enthusiast from Shropshire looking for a silver fox.

11.05 8 Out of 10 Cats Does

Countdown (R, HD) Jimmy Carr hosts as Sarah Millican and Nish Kumar take on Jon Richardson and Maisie Adam, David O'Doherty is in Dictionary Corner.

12.10 Kitchen Nightmares USA (BSL,R,HD) 1.00 Couples Come Dine with Me (R,HD) 1.50 Car S.O.S. (AD,R,HD) 2.40 Britain's Best Woodworker (AD,BSL,R,HD) 3.35 Grand Designs: The Streets (AD,BSL,R,HD) 4.25 Wondrous Wales (AD, BSL, R, HD) 5.20 George Clarke's Flipping Fast (AD,BSL,R,HD)

(R) Repeat. (HD) High Definition. (AD) Audio Description. (b/w) Not in colour. (BSL) British Sign Language.

Family viewing

Generally suitable for all Caution recommended

REAL-LIFE CASUALTY 24 Hours In A&E, 9pm, Ch4

THE emotional documentary returns for a 29th series, following patients treated in the same 24-hour period at St George's Hospital in London. Fifty-year-old Graham is rushed in after a motorbike accident, 76-year-old Joyce has breathing difficulties, and Norman has a suspected broken foot after tripping on a paving stone. As always, though, it is the personal stories, rather than the medical ones, that are of the most interest.

FILMCHOICE Moonlight, 11.15pm, BBC2 BARRY JENKINS'S

flawlessly performed coming-of-age drama follows Miami-born Chiron in three phases of his life. An Oscar-



winning Mahershala Ali (pictured) is the drug dealer who acts as a father figure to the lonely boy, whose drug addict mother (Naomie Harris) is an absent carer.

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! Kid-E-Cats (HD) 6.05 Peppa Pig (AD,R,HD) 6.15 Oggy Oggy (HD) 6.25 Blue's Clues & You (R,HD) 6.45 Fireman Sam (R,HD) 6.55 Thomas & Friends: All Engines Go! (R,HD) 7.10 Peppa Pig (AD,R,HD) 7.15 Peppa Pig (AD,HD) 7.20 Paw Patrol (R,HD) 7.30 Milo (HD) 7.45 Pip and Posy (R,HD) 8.00 The Adventures of Paddington (R,HD) 8.15 Ricky Zoom (R,HD) 8.30 Peppa Pig (AD,R,HD) 8.40 Daisy & Oille (R,HD) 8.50 Odo (HD) 8.55 Kangaroo Beach (R,HD) 9.10 Sunny Bunnies (R,HD) Jeremy Vine (HD) The broadcaster

discusses the issues of the day. 12.45 Holiday Homes in the Sun (HD) Amanda Lamb, JB Gill and Sam Pinkham head to the Cotswolds. 5 News at Lunchtime (HD)

Home and Away (AD,R,HD) The Husband with Two Wives (2019) (PG) (HD) Two young women befriend each other on a college tour and soon discover a shocking secret that threatens to tear both their families apart. Drama, starring Elisabeth Rohm.

Bargain-Loving Brits in the Sun (HD) Following Brits who moved to Spain for sun and a low-cost life. 5.00 5 News (HD)

6.00 Cash in the Attic (R,HD) Chris Kamara and appraiser Jessica Wall go treasure-hunting in Essex. **5.55 5 News Update** (HD)

Police Interceptors (R,HD) A 45-mile cross-border pursuit of a black Lexus is brought to a stop with a little help from a stinger, while the knife crime team arrest a suspected drug dealer.

7.55 5 News Update (HD) B.00 Motorway Cops: Catching

Britain's Speeders (HD) Nicky Campbell narrates a look at how the nation's roads are policed. (Followed by 5 News Update)

Live: Britain on the Brink Debate (HD) Jeremy Vine hosts a discussion about the current situation.

10.00 Casualty 24/7: Every Second Counts (R,HD) When the red phone rings in the A&E department of Barnsley Hospital, staff rush to help a woman who has arrived in an ambulance and is struggling to breathe.

11.05 999: Critical Condition (R,HD) A man is rushed to the Royal Stoke University Hospital by helicopter after his parachute fails and he slams into the ground 100 feet below.

12.05 Police Interceptors (R,HD) 1.00 Live NFL: Monday Night Football (HD) San Francisco 49ers v Los Angeles Rams. 4.30 Entertainment News on 5 (HD) 4.40 Wildlife SOS (BSL,R) 5.30 Peppa Pig (AD,BSL,R,HD) 5.35 Paw Patrol (BSL,R,HD) 5.45 Thomas & Friends: (BSL,R,HD)

Particularly liable to offend

Dripping in squid ink, Tucci was like a butcher in a Quink abattoir

TANDING amid the crates of live prawns and writhing squid at Venice's fish market, Stanley Tucci declared: 'I want to eat all of it.'

Licking his lips as a stallholder showed him how to disembowel a cuttlefish, Stanley inhaled the pungent air with relish on his foodie travelogue Searching For Italy (BBC2).

He concentrated on some unlucky cuttlefish, learning how to chop them open and extract their balloon-like sac filled with black ink used to flavour risotto.

By the time he was done, Stanley's hands and arms were dripping with ink, his apron and face liberally spattered, too.

He looked like a butcher in a Quink abattoir.

Next stop was Harry's Bar for a martini, before a duck-hunting expedition to the wetlands.

Venetian nobles used to eat wild duck by the thousand, killed with a bow and arrow. Stanley favours the shotgun.

He lowered himself into a lakeside barrel and watched with approval as a marksman bagged a dozen or more mallards

He's willing to suffer any discomfort for the sake of a new culinary sensation - or, as he says it, 'queuelinnerry'. But like any true luvvie, he couldn't do

OOD BACKOROP OF THE WEEKEND: The actors are in 1920s costume but some outdoor scenes in KaDeWe — Our Time is Now (BBC4) are shot in modern-day Berlin, with graffiti on the walls, neon signs, traffic lights and buses. The effect is disastrous. It looks like a cheap student production.

this without complaining. 'I'm absolutely frozen,' he shivered. 'I wish I'd brought one of those handwarming things.

It's all unintentionally hilarious, as is Stanley's pretentious voiceover. 'The Venetians live between earth and water,' he proclaimed, though what that means is anyone's guess.

Best of all is his air of intense artistic appreciation as he savours the most unappetising delicacies: shavings of pork fat on bread for breakfast, or sea salt scraped off the bricks in an alleyway to add piquancy to a portion of fried calamari from a street vendor.

If you fancy that, here's a low-budget alternative.

Why not get a portion of plaice from the High Street chippie and sprinkle it with salt from one of those yellow roadside bins the council use for gritting the streets?

Other reasons to avoid Venice included dried cod (imported from Norway) whipped into a paste with sunflower oil, and a plate of 'golden

WELSH TV VARIATIONS

BBCI: 1.30pm BBC Wates Today; Weather, 6.30 8BC Wales Today; Weather, 8.00 X-Ray, 8.30 Ruck Stars. The Ospreys face the Dragons. 10.40 The Green Energy Scandal Exposed: Panorama. 11.10 Wales. Music Nation with Huw Stephens. ITV: 10.50pm Sharp End. 11.20 Gino's Italy: Like Mamma Used to Make.

S4C: 6.00am Cyw. 12no on Newyddion S4C a'r. Tywydd, 12.05 Bois y Rhondda, 12.30 Heno, 1.00 Adre 1.30 Sain Ffagan, 2.00 Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd, 2.05 Prynhawn Da. 3.00 Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd, 3.05 Prosiect Pum Mil. 4.00 Awr Fawr Blociau Rhif. 4.05 Awr Fawr: Odo. 4.15 Awr Fawr: Gwdihw, 4.30 Awr Fawrt Sion y Chef. 4.45 Awr Fawr Awyr lach, 5.00 Stwrsh, 6.00 Codi Hwyl, 6.30 Rownd a Rownd 6.57 Newyddion S4C, 7.00 Heno, 7.30 Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd, 8.00 Sgwrs Dan y Lloer Elin Ffur chats to broadcaster Roy Noble, 8.25 Garddio a Mwy. 8.55 Newyddion 54C a'r Tywydd. 9.00 Cefn Gwlad, 9.30 Sgorio, 10.00 Ironman Cymru 2022, 11.00 Caeau Cymru 11.30 Gwyllau Gartref.



CHRISTOPHER STEVENS WEEKEND TV

Stanley Tucci: Searching For Italy ★★☆☆☆ Karen Pirie ★★★★☆

spaghetti' — pasta soaked in fermented fish sauce and topped with gold leaf.

Any chef who serves that to his diners is probably a serial killer. The murders are mounting up in Karen Pirie (ITV), the most

satisfying new police serial for Lauren Lyle plays the newly promoted detective sergeant

whose dedication to the job is so all-consuming that, when the investigation hits a hitch, she's apt to leap out of her car and scream at the landscape.

If she seems young to be leading a murder inquiry, her sidekick is more junior still.

DC 'Mint' Murray (Chris Jenks) is so eager to please that Pirie refers to him as her puppy. Less

imaginative writers than Val McDermid, who created the characters, might automatically invent a sexual frisson between

But there's no spark between Pirie and Mint, a basic fact cleverly conveyed when she gave him a friendly hug and he froze in horror, like a teenager being cuddled by a drunken auntie at Christmas

The show's only real flaw is the mumbling.

I needed subtitles on from the start.

You can tell me my TV needs replacing, or I'm going deaf but every single one of Stanely Tucci's lofty effusions was quite clear.



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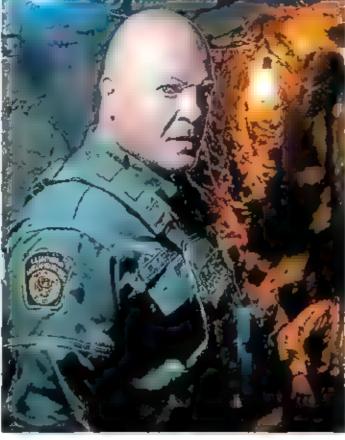
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PICK OF DIGITAL & ON DEMAND TV

COYOTE, PARAMOUNT+

FROM a slew of producers behind Breaking Bad comes another powerful show about a seemingly good man sucked ever deeper into a world of crime and violence. The always impressive Michael Chiklis (pictured - who won an Emmy for his performance as Detective Vic Mackey in police corruption drama The Shield) plays Ben Clemens, a former agent of the U.S. Border Patrol who has been forced to accept mandatory retirement after 32 years of proudly wearing the uniform. When a terrified young girl — who's a similar

age to his own daughter begs for Clemens's help, he reluctantly uses his insider knowledge to help her to escape Mexico and enter the U.S. In so doing, Clemens begins a journey that leads to him getting involved with ruthless Mexican cartels, and places his estranged family in mortal danger, while leaving him questioning everything he had once believed. Over the course of six sweaty, uncompromising and exciting episodes, Coyote takes its lead character and its audience into some very dark places indeed.



LA DOLCE VITA Sophie Grigson: Slice Of Italy, 9pm, Food Network

AFTER Sophie's children left home, the cook and food writer (pictured) decided a change was in order, and moved to Italy on a whim. This delightful new ten-part series follows her life in the country's sunny southeastern Puglia region, and it's the details of that, as much as the food, that make it so appealing.

ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE The Walking Dead, Disney+

AFTER 12 years and 169 episodes so far, the U.S. post-apocalypse

were preparing for war against the ruthlessly pragmatic Commonwealth of surviving towns. The flagship show might be dying, but its various spin-offs live on not least a Negan and Maggie show tentatively scheduled for next year.

A CUT ABOVE The Big Blow Out, 10pm, E4

PREVIOUSLY postponed from E4's schedules, this energetic hairdressing contest, hosted by AJ Odudu starts with a challenge to create a high-fashion masterpiece. The judges, celebrity stylists Sam McKnight and Lisa Farrall, see some remarkable results.

9.00pm 9.30pm 10.00pm

11.00pm 11.30pm

9 (Scot 24) **BBC Young Musician** 2022: Woodwind Final Highlights Five outstanding young

BBC 4

woodwind players compete for a place 7.30pm in the grand final

Time

7.00pm

8.30pm

10.30pm

Forest, Fleld & Sky: **Art Out of Nature** 8.00pm Artists whose work explores the human relationship with the

natural world

Glenda Jackson: This

series. Glenda Jackson talks to John Wilson Elizabeth Is Missing (2019,12)

Cultural Life New

An 80-year-old woman who has dementia tries to solve the mystery of her friend's disappearance before her fading memory erases the clues. Drama, with Glenda Jackson

Horror of Darkness Peter and Cathy are initially delighted to see their charismatic friend Robin. But he quickly outstays his welcome (To 1210)

13 Hollyoaks Sienna recruits Ethan to help her take down Norma once and for all

E4

The Farmer Wants a Wife: Australia New series. Five farmers set out on a quest for true love, with eight women having been invited to come to meet them before they embark on a series of dates

buddy to romance with Charlie, and Blake meets his crush for the first time in real life **Bob's Burgers Tina**

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Secret Crush Jules

hopes it is second time

lucky at the bar, Chloe

hopes to go from rave

gets her heart broken, so Linda and Louise try to cheer her up

Bob's Burgers Linda fills in at the library

Married at First Sight UK The anonymous letters assignment brings

uncomfortable

observations

The Big Blow Out New series, AJ Odudu hosts the contest in which experienced

hairstylists compete in a series of challenges

11.05 Gogglebox More insightful and passionate critiques of World on Fire, Antiques Roadshow and Britain's Got Talent: The

Champions (To 12.10)

Bad Chefs The contestants cook in pairs, with vegan chef Rachel Ama guiding them through, with another one leaving the competition after the elimination

Family Guy A parody of film noin detective films

American Dad! Hayley and Jeff help run a solar company 10.55 Family Guy

11.25 Family Guy Peter and the guys try to make a viral video

11.55 American Dad! The Smiths discover a salt deposit (To 12.20)

A-Z SATELLITE LISTINGS

ALIBI

Sky 109 Virgin 126

12noon Death in Paradise. 1.00 Brown. 2.00 Murdoch Fisher's Mysteries. 4.00 Miss Mysteries. 5.00 Murder Unforgettable. 6.00 Major Crimes. 7.00 Rizzoli & Isles. 8.00 Death in Paradise. 10.00 Murdoch Mysteries.

ANIMALPLANET

Virgin 251

12noon Extinct or Alive. 1.00 Amanda to the Rescue. 2.00 Intruders. 3.00 Legends of the Wild. 4.00 America's Cutest Pets. 5.00 Dr Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet. 6.00 Extinct or Alive. 7.00 Amanda to the Rescue. 8.00 Expedition Bigfoot. 10.00 The Last Alaskans, 11.00 Crikey! It's the Irwins.

BBC ALBA

Sky 169 Virgin 161

6.00am Alba Today, 5.00pm Treubh an Tuathanais. 5.15 Su Pic. 5.25 'S E lasg a Th'Annam. 5.30 AH-AH/No-No. 5.40 Pip & Posy. 5.45 Piseag & Curlean/Kit & Pup. 5.50 Storridh. 6.00 Ronia, Nighean a' Mheirlich/ Ronja, the Robber's Daughter. 6.20 Port Paipeir. 6.35 Saidheans Sporsail. 7.00 Dealbhan Fraoich. 7.30 SpeakGaelic. 8.00 An La. 8.30 Garradh Phadruig. 9.00 Trusadh -Gm. Spiorad an t-Sineabhair. 10.00 Bannan. 10.30 Julie Fleeting. 11.50 Dealbh is Slighe.

BBC THREE Freeview 23 Sky 117

7.00pm Top Gear 7.00 The Catch

Up. 8.00 Stitch, Please! 8.30 Hot

Cakes. 9.00 Bad Education. 10.00

Ladhood. 10.50 Elhe & Natasia. 11.35

Sky 413 Vergen 527

RuPaul's Drag Race UK. ST SPORTS

Vanarama National League. **LOOpm** Vanarama National League Highlights. 1.30 The Aussie Rules Show. 2.30 PSA Squash Highlights. 3.30 UEFA Europa League & Conference League Magazine. 4.30 UEFA Champions League Magazine. 5.00 ESPN FC. 5.30 ESPN FC Presents: Gab & Juls. 6.00 Lique 1 Highlights. 7.00 ESPN FC. 7.30 Live: Serie A. Hellas Verona v Udinese (Kick-off 7.45pm). 9.45

11.00 WWE Raw Highlights. BT SPORT 2

Currie Club. 10.15 BT Sport Goals Reload. 10.45 Around The Block

Sky 414 Virgin 528

12noon Fight Night, 2.00 30 for 30: Unmatched, 3.00 Gearing Up. 3.30 MotoGP. 4.30 MotoGP Chequered Flag. 5.30 Kite Masters. 6.00 Joe 6.30 Gallagher Cast

Premiership Rugby Highlights. 8.00 Rugby Torught. 8.45 Around The Block 9.00 Fishing: On the Bank. 10.00 WRC Review. 11.00 MLB Quick Pitch.

drama is about to shamble to its

conclusion with this final block

of eight weekly episodes. Don't

expect it to go quietly though -

when we last saw the gang, they

BT SPORT 3

Sky 417 Virgin 529 9.00am Serie A. 3.00pm ESPN FC.

3.30 Hero CPL Highlights. 4.00 Inside Sailing. 4.30 Michelin Le MansCup Highlights. 5.00 European Le Mans Series Highlights. 6.00 UK Pro League Tennis. 8.00 Ariel Helwani Meets. 8.30 Lique 1 Highlights. 9.30 UFC Ultimate Knockouts. 10.00 Vanarama National League. 11.30 Vanarama National League Highlights.

COMPRESSED TEXAL

Sky 112 Virgin 181 11.00am Friends. 9.00pm Michael McIntyre: Hello Wembley! 10.00 Joe Lycett: That's the Way, A-Ha, A-Ha, Joe Lycett. 11.00 Drunk History.

DAVE (DAYTIME)

Freeview 19 Sky 111

12noon Bangers and Cash. 1.00 Border Force: America's Gatekeepers. 2.00 Top Gear, 3.00 Rick Stein's German Bite. 4.00 Top Gear 5.00 Rick Stein's Long Weekends. 6.00 Taskmaster

DISCOVERY

Sky 125 Virgin 250 9.00am The Last Alaskans. 10.00

Ice Lake Rebels. 11.00 Wheeler Dealers. 12noon Supertruckers. 1.00 Gold Rush: Dave Turin's Lost Mine. 2.00 Lone Star Law. 3.00 Lost Mines: Restored, 4.00 Alaska: The Last Frontier. 5.00 Wheeler Dealers. 6.00 Bitchin' Rides. 7.00 Junkyard Empire. 8.00 Railroad Alaska. 9.00 Wheeler Dealers. 10.00 Chasing Classic Cars. 11.00 Yukon Men.

DRAMA (DAYTIME)

Freeview 20 Sky 143 Virgin 130 10.00am Casualty, 12noon The Bill. LOO Classic EastEnders. 2.15 Monarch of the Glen. 4.20 All Creatures Great and Small. 5.20 Warting for God. 6.00 Are You Being Served 6.40 Allo Allo

E4 (DAYTIME)

Freeview 13 Sky 135 Virgin 106 11.00am Young Sheldon. 12noon Brooklyn Nine-Nine. 1.00 The Big Bang Theory. 3.00 Young Sheldon. 4.00 Teen First Dates. 5.00 The Big Bang Theory

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Sky 166 Virgin 245

12noon China's 10 Deadliest Snakes with Nigel Marven. LOO A Tale of Two Sisters. 200 Inside the Vets.

3.00 Snow Leopards and Friends. 4.00 Africa From Above. 5.00 Costa Rica: The Rise of Nature. 6.00 Collar of Duty. 7.00 A Tale of Two Sisters. 8.00 Inside the Vets. 9.00 Africa From Above. 10.00 Collar of Duty. 11.00 Costa Rica: The Rise of Nature.

EUROSPORT 1

Sky 410 Virgin 521

9.00am Cycling: CRO Race. 10.00 Triathlon - Embrunman Ironman. 11.00 Athletics: London Marathon. 12.30pm Cycling: CRO Race. 1.00 Live Cycling: Coppa Bernocchi. 2.30 Live Cycling: Tour of Munsterland. 4.30 Cycling: Tour of Tarwan. 5.00 Cycling: Ras na mBan. 5.30 Masters Snooker. 6.00 Climbing Show. 7.25 Eurosport News. 8.00 Cycling: CRO Race. 9.00 Cycling: Coppa Bernocchi, 10.00 Cycling: Tour of Munsterland, 11.00 Triathlon: Super League.

FILM4

Freeview 14 Sky 313 Virgin 428

11.00am THE GREAT SIOUX MASSACRE. (1965) (U) 1.05pm HIGH NOON. (1952) (U) 2.50 RUN SILENT, RUN DEEP. (1958) (U) 4.45 MAN OF THE WEST. (1958) (12) 6.50 MY COUSIN RACHEL. (2017) (12) 9.00 COMING TO AMERICA, (1988) (15) 11.20 WHAT MEN WANT. (2019) (15) 1.40am ANIMALS. (2019) (15)

5STAR (DAYTIME)

Freeview 32 Sky 128 Virgin 151

12noon Shoplifters & Scammers: At War with the Law 1.00 Traffic Cops: On the Edge. 2.00 Police Interceptors. 5.00 Filthy House SOS. 6.00 Home and Away

5 USA (DAYTIME) Freeview 21 Sky 141 Virgin 153

12noon Law & Order, 6.00 NCIS.

FOOD NETWORK UK

Freeview 43 Sky 140 Virgin 285 6.00pm The Great British Bake Off. 8.00 Jamie's Meat-Free Meals. 8.30 Nadiya's Family Favourites. 9.00 Sophie Grigson: Slice of Italy 10.00 Rachel Khoo's Chocolate. 11.00 Restaurant: Impossible.

GOLD

Sky 110 Vtrgin 124

11.55am Desmond's. 12.30pm Chef 1.10 Dad's Army. 1.50 Still Open All Hours. 2.30 Open All Hours. 3.10 Last of the Summer Wine. 4.25 Dad's Army 5.05Keeping Up Appearances. 5.45 Open All Hours. 6.25 Only Fools and Horses. 7.05 Dad's Army. 8.25 The Vicar of Dibley. 9.20 Mrs Brown's Boys. 10.00 The Real McCoy. 10.35 Fm Alan Partridge. 11.20 Mrs Brown's Boys.

GREAT! MOVIES

Freeview 34 Sky 321 Virgin 425

12.50pm GREAT! MOVIE NEWS EXTRA. 1.00 CRADLE SWAPPING. (2017) (PG) 2.50 GREAT! MOVIE NEWS EXTRA. 3.00 RUNNING AWAY. (2017) (PG) 4.45 ENIGMA. (1982) (15) 6.45 S.W.A.T. (2003) (12) 9.00 IMMORTALS. (2011) (15) 11.15 PERSONAL SHOPPER. (2016) (15)

GREAT! MOVIES ACTION

Freeview 42 Say 323 Virgin 426 12noon MAASAH. 1.00 THE STRANGER WORE A GUN. (1953) (U) 1.55 THIS WEEK BACK THEN. 2.01 THE STRANGER WORE A GUN. (1953) (U) 2.50 SEVEN DOLLARS ON THE RED. (1966) (PG) 3.45 THIS WEEK BACK THEN. 3.51 SEVEN DOLLARS ON THE RED. (1966) (PG) 4.55 THE MOUNTAIN ROAD. (1960) (U) 5.50 THIS WEEK BACK THEN. 5.56 THE MOUNTAIN ROAD, (1960) (U) 7.05 METEOR APOCALYPSE. (2010) (15) 8.00 THIS WEEK BACK THEN. 8.06 METEOR APOCALYPSE, (2010) (15) 9.55 THIS WEEK BACK THEN. 10.01 BRAVEN. (2018) (15) 10.50 THE WINTER SOLDIER. (2016) (15) 11.45 THIS WEEK BACK THEN. 11.51 THE WINTER SOLDIER. (2016) (15)

RADIO 4

FM. 92.4-94.6MHZ; LW: 198KHZ

5.30 News Briefing, 5.43 Prayer for the Day. 5.45 Farming Today. 5.58 Tweet of the Day. 6.00 Today.

Kirsty Wark and guests discuss political leadership and parliamentary

9.00 Start the Week.

oversight. 9.45 (LW) Daily Service. 9.45 (FM) How to Steal a Trillion. 10.00 Woman's Hour.

11.00 Room 5. 11.30 The Bottom Line. 12.00 News; (LW) Shipping

Forecast. 12.04 You and Yours. 12.57 Weather.

1.00 The World at One. The Boy in the Woods. New series. Winifred Robinson explores the 1994 murder of sixyear-old Rikki Neave.

2.00 The Archers.

GREAT!CHRISTMAS

Freeview 52 Siry 319 Virgin 424 10.00am Finding Father Christmas

(2016) (PG) Includes GREAT! Movie News. 12noon A Family for the Holidays. (2018) (U) Includes GREAT! Movie News. 2.00 A Christmas Kiss. (2011) (PG) Includes GREAT! Movie News. 4.00 Another Christmas Kiss. (2014) (PG) 6.00 Christmas Festival of Ice. (2017) (PG) Includes GREAT! Movie News. 8.00 A Rose for Christmas. (2017) (PG) Drama, starring Rachel Boston. Includes GREAT! Movie News. 10.00 The Christmas Clause (2008) (PG) Includes GREAT! Movie News.

GREAT! TV

Freeview 50 Sky 157 Virgin 189 1.00pm Body of Proof. 2.00 FILM: Mary Higgins Clark: A Cry in the Night. (1992) (PG) 4.00 Sue Thomas: F.B.Eye. 5.00 Murder, She Wrote. 7.00 M'A'S'H 9.00 Randall and Hopkirk (Deceased). Marty recalls an old case. 10.00 The Persuaders! Danny and Brett help a grand

duchess. 11.00 Classic Who Wants

to Be a Millionaire?

Freeview 6 Sky 118 Virgin 115

ITV2 (DAYTIME)

9.00am Veronica Mars. 10.00 One

Tree Hill. 11.00 Hart of Dixe. 12noon Supermarket Sweep. 1.00 Family Fortunes. 2.00 The Masked Singer U.S., 3.05 Veronica Mars. 4.00 One Tree Hill. 5.00 Hart of Dune. 6.00 Catchphrase Celebrity Special.

ITV3 (DAYTIME)

Freeview 10 Sky 119 Virgin 117

11.30am Heartbeat. 1.40pm Classic Emmerdale, 2.40 Classic Coronation Street. 3.45 Agatha Christie's Poirot. The Hollow 6.00 Heartbeat

ITV4 (DAYTIME) Freeview 26 Sky 120 Virgin 118

10.15am Minder 11.25 The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes. 12.30pm The Saint. 1.35 Match Time Revisited. 2.35 Magnum, Pl. 3.45 The Sweeney, 4.50 Minder, 6.00 Match Time Revisited.

ITVEE

Freeview 28 Sky 131 Virgin 119 9.00am LittleBe. 12noon Best Cake Wins. 12.30 The Real Housewives of

PICK OF TODAY'S RADIO

HOW TO STEAL A TRILLION, 9.45AM, 12.30AM, RADIO 4

OLIVER BULLOUGH has been running Kleptocracy tours of London, pointing out some of the fancy houses owned by overseas crooks. The tours proved popular with the punters, but not with the various mansionowning oligarchs, sheikhs and dodgy dealers. In this first of a five-part series,

which hears from historians, whistleblowers, former investigators and politicians, Oliver takes us back to the 1950s, when some bankers realised that offshore activities could bring a tide of gold to Old London Town, and the City could become a moneylaundering machine.

2.15 This Cultural Life. 3.00 Brain of Britain.

3.30 The Food Programme. The cost of living crisis.

4.00 Peter Greenaway: Painting with Film. 4.30 Beyond Belief.

In his final programme as presenter, Ernie Rea reflects on the evolving role of faith.

5.00 PM; (LW) Shipping Forecast.

5.57 Weather.

6.00 Six O'Clock News. 6.30 PCS It's a Fair Cop. 7.00 The Archers.

Jill celebrates her 92nd birthday. 7.15 Front Row. Arts news.

8.00 Back Seat Drivers. Steven Fielding asks politicians

journalists, advisers and historians what ex-PMs should do.

STAR

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GPs: Behind Closed

nasty bruise on his

arm after falling in

10 Heartbeat A burglary investigation takes an unexpected turn when the victim is found to be leading a double life, while Blaketon falls for the charms of a solicitor

IIV3

Agatha Christie's Marple The Pale Horse: The sleuth investigates the murder of her old friend Father Gorman, using a list of names sent by the priest moments before his death to bring the guilty party to justice. Drama, starring Julia McKenzie in the title role, with Lynda Baron, Pauline Collins, Nicholas Parsons and **Neil Pearson**

Van Der Valk The Dutch detective is called in to investigate the gruesome murder of Susie de Windt, a solicitor whose mutilated body was discovered strung up on a windfarm with an 'X' carved into her stomach and a cryptic note inside her coat. Crime drama, starring Marc Warren (To 12.00)

26 Gallagher Premiership Rugby Union Highlights Action from the latest fixtures, including Sale Shanks v Exeten Chiefs and Saracens v Leicester Tigers

ITV4

MotoGP Highlights Action from the Thailand Grand Prix as the riders battle for points at the Chang International Circuit

The Grand Fishing Adventure All Hamid and Bobby Zamora's bucket list fishing tour of Britain begins In Shropshire

Aliens (1986,18) Lone survivor Ripley joins a military expedition that encounters hordes of the creatures that wiped out her crew. James Cameron's sci-fi thriller sequel, with Sigourney Weaver, Michael Biehn and Lance Henriksen includes FYI Daily (To 12.50)

18 6.55 Escape to the Chateau Dick and Angel start work on replacing the roof

MORE 4

7.55 Great Canal Journeys Timothy West and Prunella Scales explore a picturesque stretch of the Canal du Midrin the south of France, visit the town of Beziers and taste lamb's brain fritters

Devon and Cornwall A steam engine enthusiast embarks on a coast-to-coast journey across Devon, travelling across the county in an 80-yearold steamroller

Britain's Most Expensive Houses Documentary going behind the scenes with UK Sotheby's International Realty

11.05 24 Hours in A&E Cameras follow a ten-year-old who has severed his finger at school and a stonemason who has dropped a marble slab on his hand (To 12.10)

36 Hawaii Five-0 Danny protects a coma patient showing signs of waking who was the key witness from his last Hawaii PD case before he met Steve and joined Five-0

PICK

Magnum P.I. Magnum and Higgins work a stalking case involving a man with a history of espionage. Meanwhite, Ethan has a proposition. Last in series

The Real Manhunter: The Disappearance of Maureen Hale A walk through the case of Maureen Hale, who vanished one evening in 1999

The Twilight Zone Reboot of the Rod Serling fantasy anthology series

10.45 The Twillight Zone A church handyman uncovers a magical scale model. Damon Wayans Jr and David Krumholtz stan

Britain's Most Evil Killers The case of nurse Beverley Allitt (To 12.30)

Ghost Adventures.

REALLY

Freeview 17 Sky 142 Virgin 128

12noon Money for Nothing 1.00

The Hotel Inspector 2.00 Animal

Cops Philadelphia. 4.00 Dr Jeff:

Rocky Mountain Vet. 5.00 Aussie

Kids A&E. 6.00 Money for Nothing.

7.00 Antiques Road Trip. 9.00

The Saved and Remade Workshop.

10.00 The Repair Shop. 11.00

SKY ARTS

Freeview 11 Sky 130 Virgin 165

12noon Mystery of the Lost

Paintings. 1.00 Tales of the

Unexpected. 2.00 Manet from the

Royal Academy of Arts, London.

3.00 Portrait Artist of the Year 2017

4.00 Discovering: Orson Welles. 5.00 Tales of the Unexpected. 6.00

Alfred Hitchcock Presents. 7.00

Andre Rieu in Wonderland. 9.30

Mystery of the Lost Paintings, 10.30

Ray Charles: Music Icons. 11.00 The

Other Art Show. 11.30 Brian

SKY ATLANTIC

Sky 108

10.00am The Sopranos. 12.15pm

Ray Donovan. 2.25 Game of Thrones.

Johnson's A Life on the Road.

19 Richard Osman's **Hunters** The Tarantos' House of Games overworked excavator With Ade Adepitan grinds to a halt, and and Jean Johansson the Cheals are hit with 7.40 QI With Victoria

DAVE

Coren Mitchell, Bill

Barley and Jimmy Carr

Salvage Hunters 8.20 Would Lie to You? With Micky Drew Pritchard seeks Flanagan, Fiona Bruce, out the very best Claudia Winkleman antiques the Isle of Wight has to offer. His and Steve Jones first stop is the seaside town of Ventnor

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Outback Opal

more breakdowns

How Do They Do It?

The production of

tyres made by the

Titan Corporation

and cotton

How Do They Do It?

Paris sewers, Berettas

manufacture (To 12.00)

Aussie Gold Hunters Jacqui and Andrew feel the pressure as they battle hard rock ground that could ruin their latest deal

Outback Truckers Question Team Car wreckers Mike and Michael push their trucks to their limits. Sludge feets the heat. in bush fire country

> Mel Giedroyc: Unforgivable Joel

7.20 Last of the Summer Wine Noral Batty chases after Compo for once - but only because she is hurtling toward him in a sidecar during a trip to the countryside

DRAMA

20

The Brokenwood Mysteries Following Brokenwood's first drum 'n' bass festival, the van belonging to the band Starscraper suddenly explodes seemingly from the volume of the music it

11.20 Spooks

When Harry's plan

go undercover to

prevent a nuclear

to ground all planes

leaks, Adam and Ros

Ol XL Sandi Toksvig is joined by Alan Davies, Bridget Christie, Johnny Vegas and Holly Walsh as she asks a selection of questions on the subject of rubbish

New Tricks Making up Richard A bloodstained bust Ayoade's self-quizzing is uncovered during construction work in collective this time are Joel Dommett, a cemetery. Detective Harriet Kemsley and drama, starring Janine Harouni Nicholas Lyndhurst

Dommett lifts the lid on a shocking act and Thanyia Moore gets revenge (To 12.00)

his driveway **Bargain-Loving Brits** In the Sun Ben introduces viewers to the world of Benidorm's tribute

act circuit in his roles as a Gary Barlow impersonator was playing. Detective Dirty Home Rescue drama, with Neill Rea Hayley Leitch and her and Fern Sutherland cleaning team go to the rescue of Anita, whose house is

> wherever they like Adults Only: Threesomes Are More Fun A revealing insight into couples who seek another person to join them in a

sexual relationship

overrun with three

cats who make a mess

Dracula Untold (2014,15) A Romanian knight makes a dangerous supernatural bargain. Fantasy, starring Luke Evans warhead circuit board reaching Iran (To 12.40) (To 1.00)

21 NCIS Gibbs finds **Doors** Dr Razak's first himself staring down patient Michael has a the barrel of a gun while he is at his favourite diner, forcing him to question choices he has made in the past and present

5 USA

NCIS Tony is reunited with his journalist exfiancee Wendy Miller while investigating the murder of a Navy captain leading a double life

The Blacklist After a heist takes place at a bank, Red sees the opportunity to blow the whistle on the institution's moneylaundering activities

Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A woman disappears

10.55 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit Benson and Stabler are called on to investigate when a man discoverings a dead woman in his bed

11.50 Law & Order: **Criminal Intent** A woman is murdered (To 12.50)

Beverly Hills. 1.20 Ferne McCann: First Time Mum. 2.20 The Only Way Is Essex 3.10 Million Dollar Listing NYC 4.05 The Real Housewives of Orange County. 5.00 The Real Housewives of Potomac. 6.00 Masters of Flip. 7.00 Buying and Selling, 8.00 Dinner Date, 9.00 The Real Housewives of Cheshire. 10.00 Botched. 11.00 Million Dollar Matchmaker. 12midnight The Only Way Is Essex.

MORE4 (DAYTIME)

Freeview 18 Sky 136 Virgin 147 11.05am Find It, Fix It, Flog It. 1.10pm Heir Hunters. 2.10 Four in a Bed. 4.50 Find It, Fix It, Flog It. 5.55 Car. S.O.S. 6.55 Escape to the Chateau.

NAT'L GEOGRAPHIC

Sky 129 Virgin 266

12noon Lost Treasures of Egypt. 1.00 World War I Apocalypse. 2.00 Drain the Oceans. 3.00 Air Crash Investigation. 4.00 Ice Road Rescue. 5.00 Car S.O.S. 6.00 Lost Treasures of Egypt. 7.00 Air Crash Investigation, 8.00 World War II: Secrets From Above. 9.00 History: The Interesting Bits.

10.00 Lost Treasures of Egypt.

PBS AMERICA

Freeview 84 Sky 174 Virgin 273

Freeview 36 Sky 151 Virgin 156 Trek: Deep Space Nine.

QUEST (DAYTIME)

Freeview 12 Sky 144

10.00am Chasing Classic Cars. Scrapyard Dynasty. 100 Money for Nothing, 2.00 The Repair Shop, 3.00 Find It, Fix It, Flog It. 4.00 Salvage Hunters. 5.00 Salvage Hunters: The Restorers. 6.00 Wheeler Dealers.



■ ALFIE MOORE (pictured), a former police officer turned comedian, returns with a new series of IT'S A FAIR COP (6.30PM, RADIO 4), which starts with Alfie swearing in the audience as deputies. He then takes them through a real-life case, in which mobile phones have been disappearing from a warehouse on a regular basis. As the case unfolds, a suspect emerges, so Alfie asks his new deputies

what they would do next.

10.45 Book at Bedtime:

11.00 Techno: A Social

11.30 Music Made in the

12.00 News and Weather.

Stories from Ukraine.

History. Presented

by DJ Ash Lauryn.

Middle. Music made

12.30 PCK How to

Shipping Forecast.

Steal a Trillion. 12.48

1.00 As World Service.

in the West Midlands.

8.30 Analysis. New series. Prof. James Tilley asks what protest marches can achieve and why people take part.

9.00 Wild Inside. Professor Ben Garrod and veterinary surgeon Jess French examine the cheetah.

9.30 Start the Week. 9.59 Weather. 10.00 The World Tonight. 11.00 Air Crash Investigation.

11.00am The Civil War 1.00pm Ibena's Woodlands. Life on the Edge 2.05 First Britons, 3.15 A Doctor's Sword. 4.25 The Civil War. 6.30 First Britons. 7.40 A Doctor's Sword. 8.50 The Civil War. 10.55 First Britons.

PICK (DAYTIME)

12noon Road Wars. 1.00 Border Patrol. 2.00 Border Security: Australia's Front Line. 3.00 Nothing to Declare. 4.00 Stargate SG-1. 5.00 Star Trek: Enterprise, 6.00 Star

Fantomworks. 12noon

RADIO 2 FM 88-90.2MHZ

6.30 Zoe Ball. **9.30** Ken Bruce. 12.00 Jeremy Vine. 2.00 OJ Borg. 5.00 Sara Cox. 6.30 Sara Cox's Half Wower 7.00 Shiny Happy Playlist. 7.30 Jo Whiley. 9.00 The Blues Show with Cerys Matthews. 10.00 DJ Spoony's Magnificent 7. 10.30 DJ Spoony's Rhythm Nation. 12.00 Phil Williams.

RADIO 3 FM. 90.2-92.4MHZ

6.30 Breakfast. 9.00 Essential Classics. 12.00 Composer of the Week 1.00 Lunchtime Concert. 2.00 Afternoon Concert. 4.30 New Generation Artists. 5.00 In Tune. 7.00 In Tune Mixtage. 7.30 Radio 3 in Concert. Mendelssohn's Scottish Symphony, from Dresden. 9.30 Northern Drift. 10.00 Music Matters. 10.45 The Essay: Blade Runner at 40. 11.00 Night Tracks. 12.30 Through the Night.

RADIO 5 LIVE

MW. 693/909KHZ

5.00 Wake Up to Money. 6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 Nicky Campbell. 11.00 Naga Munchetty. 1.00 Nihal Arthanayake. 4.00 5 Live Drive. 7.00 5 Live Sport Monday Night Club. 9.00 5 Live Cricket. 10.00 Cohn Murray. 1.00 Dotum Adebayo.

3.30 The Wire. 5.45 The Sopranos. 7.55 Game of Thrones. 9.00 House of the Dragon. 10.10 Gangs of London. 11.15 House of the Dragon.

SKY COMEDY

Sky 114 Virgin 135 11.30am Curb Your Enthusiasm. 12.10pm Veep. 1.20 Ballers. 2.30 The Office (US). 3.00 Will & Grace. 5.00 The Office (US), 5.30 Futurama. 6.30 Everybody Hates Chris. 7.30 The Office (US), 9.00 Last Week Tonight with John Oliver. 9.40 Black Monday 11.00 Last Week Tonight with John Ohver. 11.40 Real Time with Bill Maher.

PRA DOCUMENTA DATE:

Sky 121 Virgin 278 12noon Arthur Miller: Writer. 2.00 FILM. Baby God. (2020) 3.30 Premier League Legends. 4.00 The Directors. 5.00 Discovering: Bill Murray, 6.00 Ghislaine Maxwell: Epstein's Shadow. 7.00 The Vow. 8.00 100 Foot Wave. 9.00 FILM: I Am Jackie O. (2020) [12) 10.45 Janet Jackson.

SKY DRAMA

Sky 310 Virgin 410

11.45 FILM: Wig. (2019) (15)

12noon FRANKIE AND JOHNNY. (1991) (15) 2.00 LET HIM GO. (2020) 4.00 SEŁMA. (2014) (12) 6.15 JUNGLELAND. (2019) (15) 8.00 54. (1998) (15) 9.40 ANOTHER ROUND, (2020) (12) 11.40 SEVEN POUNDS. (2008) (12)

SKY HISTORY

Sky 123 Virgin 270

12noon American Pickers. 1.00 The UnXplained with William Shatner, 2.00 Counting Cars. 3.00 Pawn Stars. 4.00 Swamp People. 5.00 Secrets in the Ice. 6.00 American Pickers. 7.00 Forged in Fire. 8.00 American Pickers. 9.00 Britain's Greatest Obsessions. 10.00 Cracking the Code. 11.00 Britain's Most Historic Towns.

SKY MAX

Sky 113 Virgin 121

11.00am NCIS: New Orleans. 1.00pm Hawaii Five-0. 2.00 MacGyver 3.00 DC's Legends of Tomorrow, 4.00 The Flash, 5.00 Supergirl 6.00 Stargate SG-1. 8.00 Resident Alien. 9.00 COBRA: Cyberwar, 10.00 Brassic, 11.00 A League of Their Own.

SKY PREMIERE

Sky 301 Virgin 401

10.40am AFTER YANG. (2022) (PG) 12.30pm SHARK BAIT. (2022) (15) 210 MARRY ME. (2022) (12) 4.10 CLEAN. (2021) (15) 6.00 UNCHARTED. (2022) (12) B.00 GEORGETOWN. (2019) (15) 9.55 THE 355. (2022) (12)

SKY SCI-FI

Sky 139 Virgin 139

9.00am Teleshopping. 11.00 Star Trek: Deep Space Nine. 12noon Star Trek: Enterprise. 2.00 Futurama. 3.00 Fringe, 4.00 Star Trek; Deep Space Nine. 5.00 Stargate SG-L 6.00 Star Trek: Enterprise. 8.00 Manifest, 10.00 Train.

SKY WITNESS

Sky 107 Virgin 112

12noon The Rookie, 1.00 FBL 2.00 Blue Bloods. 3.00 The Equalizer. 4.00 Paramedics Australia. 5.00 Nothing to Declare. 8.00 Blue Bloods. 10.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.

SKY MAIN EVENT

Sky 401 Virgin 511

12noon The Football Show. 1.00 Sky Sports News. 7.00 Live MNF. Leicester City v Nottingham Forest (Kick-off 8pm). 11.00 Live World Grand Prix Darts. Day one at Morningside Arena in Leicester. 12midnight Sky Sports News. 1.00 Liver NFL San Francisco 49ezs v Los Angeles Rams.

SKY PILEMIER LEAGUE

Sky 402 Virgin 512 11.30am Ref Watch. 12noon The

Football Show. 1.00 Premier League 3.00 Premier League Highlighta 4.00 Premier League Best Goals. 5.00 Premier League Highlights 6.00 Premier League Legends. 6.30 Soccer AM: The Best Bits. 7.00 Live MNF. Leicester City v Nottingham Forest (Kick-off 8pm). 11.00 Soccer AM: The Best Bits. 11.30 Premier League Icons.

SKYFOOTBALL

Sky 403 Virgin 513

10.00am EFL Cup Retro. 12noon EFL 3.00 EFL Goals: Leagues 1 & 2. 3.30 EFL Highlights. 5.00 Scottish Premiership Round-Up. 5.15 SPFL Highlights. 5.30 EFL Goals: Leagues 1 & 2. 6.00 Soccer AM: The Best Bits. 6.30 Scottish Premiership Round-Up. 6.45 SPFL Highlights. 7.00 Bundesliga Highlights Show. 8.00 EFI. Highlights. 9.00 EFI. Goals: Leagues 1 & 2. 9.30 Soccer AM: The Best Bits. 10.00 Scottish Premiership Round-Up. 10.15 SPFL Highlights. 10.30 MLS Round-Up Show. 11.00 Bundesliga Highlights Show.

SKY CRICKET

Sky 404 Virgin 514

9.00am International T20 Cricket. 1.30pm History of the ICC World T20. 4.00 Best of ICC WT20. 5.00 Graeme Swann Spin Bowling Chnic. 5.30 Voicesof Summer 6.00 International T20 Cricket. 10.30 Talking Cricket. 11.00 Best of ICC WT20.

SKY MIX

Sky 416 Virgin 520

7.30am International T20 Cricket. 12noon NFL Highlights, 2.00 Sail GP. 3.30 My Icon: Henri Goya. 3.45 My Icon: Solomon Wilcots. 4.00 NFL Highlights. 5.00 LPGA Tour Golf. 8:00 NRL 9:00 NRLW 10.00 DP World Tour Golf. 11.00 PGA Tour Golf.

SMITHSONIAN

Freevlew 57 Sky 171 Virgin 276 11.00am Robert Powell on the Real Jesus of Nazareth. 3.00pm Tomb Hunters. 7.00 Inside the Factory. 8.00 Ice Airport Alaska. 10.00 Inside the Factory: How Our Favourite Foods Are Made. 11.00 Ice Airport Alaska.

TALKING PICTURES TV

Freeview 82 Sky 328 Virgin 445

10.25am FILM: Impulse, (1954) (15) 12.05pm Look at Life. 12.20 FILM A Touch Of The Sun. (1956) (U) 200 Rooms 3.00 FILM: Next To No Time. (1958) (PG) 5.00 The Footage Detectives. 6.00 FILM: Mr Denning Drives North. (1951) (12) 7.50 Look at Life. 8.00 The Main Chance 9.00 FILM. Afraid of the Dark. (1991) (15) 10.45 Screenagers! 11.00 Secret Army.

TCM

Sky 315 Vtrgin 415

8.10am CHEYENNE. 9.20 MURDER AHOY. (1964) (U) 11.15 CHEYENNE. 1.30pm THE SEARCHERS. (1956) (U) 4.00 HIRED GUN. (1957) (U) 5.20 THE GUN HAWK. (1963) (U) 7.15 GUN GLORY. (1957) (U) 9.00 SWORDFISH. (2001) (15) 11.05 PRESUMED INNOCENT. (1990) (18) 1.40am LETHAL WEAPON 3. (1992) (15)

Sky 132 Virgin 125

12noon Inside the Ambulance. 2.00 Tipping Point, 4.00 DIY SOS: Children in Need Special. 5.00 Property Brothers: Forever Homes. 6.00 Doctor Who, 7.00 MasterChef Australia. 8.00 Emma Willis: Delivering Babies. 9.00 DIY SOS: The Big Build. 10.20 The Undateables. 11.20 Dating With My Mates.

VESTERDAY

Freeview 27 Sky 155 Virgin 129 12noon Secrets of the London

Underground LOO Bangers and Cash. 2.00 Steam Train Britain. 3.00 Abandoned Engineering. 4.00 War Factories. 5.00 The World at War. 6.00 Top Gear. 7.00 Fred Dibnah's Made in Britain. 8.00 Abandoned Engineering. 9.00 The Buildings That Fought Hitler. 10.00 Bangers and Cash. 11.00 Abandoned Engineering.

ARIES Mar 21 - Apr 20 IT'S hard to

was like before the wheel. Like most great advancements, it's a gloriously simple and neat idea. There comes a moment in every creative process when, after sifting through a list of theories, a lightning bolt of clarity reveals that we only need to do 'this or that'. It's usually so obvious that, once we've seen it, we can't understand why the issue seemed so complicated. You're looking for a solution today. With Mercury now direct, the penny is about to drop. Your in-depth, latest October forecast could be one of the most rewarding calls you ever make. Call 0906 751 5601.

TAURUS Apr 21 - May 21 WE HUMANS are a judgmental lot. We jump to conclusions quickly. And, of course, the criticism starts with ourselves. We're quick to find fault with our own behaviour, question our abilities and doubt our judgments — and we take those traits out into the world and use them on others and on the cosmos. We suspect it doesn't approve of us and that we're not 'good enough' to warrant its protection. But nothing could be further from the truth. If you look carefully today, you'll see just how hard it's working for you. For a treasure trove of inspiration

GEMINI May 22 - June 22 WE DON'T have to run

forecast. It's inspiring. Call 0906 751 5602.

about October, call your month ahead

marathons or swim in freezing temperatures to do something impressive. Sometimes, we achieve the most when we do the least. It's not the actions we take that make a difference — It's the ones we refrain from taking. With your ruler, Mercury, now direct, there's a lot you could say today. There's a battle you could fight or an argument you could pursue. If, though, you stand back from all that seems to be drawing you into a vortex of emotions, you'll be able to enjoy real success. Powerful celestial events make October a month to remember Make sure you take full advantage. Call 0906 751 5603.

CANCER June 23 - July 23 ARE you being too

careful, too smart or too sensitive? No. You're being astute and perceptive. You've recognised issues and implications other folk have been unable (or unwilling) to acknowledge. Just because they might not understand why your priorities have changed doesn't mean you

OSCAR GAINER

it's relatively quiet in the heavens this week... and, with Mercury no longer retrograde, there's an irony about being able to communicate more easily, only to realise that I don't have much to say! Of course,

that's not strictly true—
Mercury's new direction gives
us the motivation to apply
lessons learned over the past
few weeks. If we make good
use of insights gained, we can
redress injustices and
rebalance the scales

should start questioning your judgment. You're dealing with a delicate situation and can't risk cutting a corner that might later turn out to be important. Trust your intuition. Stay true to yourself. Your approach will save the day. October is going to be amazing. For four-minutes of news and insight that could change your life, call 0906 751 5604.

LEO July 24 - Aug 23 JUST because something seems to have gone wrong doesn't mean you're dealing with an impossible situation. The real problem is that you sense something looming on the horizon over which you have no control. It's feels like, as long as It doesn't happen, everything will be fine. But all will be well even if it does! Because you're worrying, whatever's 'looming' is hard to ignore. But, if you pay attention to the lessons you're learning, you'll be able to easily deal with anything tricky that comes your way. To hear uplifting news about the possibilities October brings, call your month ahead forecast: 0906 751 5605.

VIRGO Aug 24 - Sep 23 THERE'S almost as much written about writer's block as there are novels, poetry and prose. In my profession, a short stint of it would feel a bit like a holiday... but it's an indulgence I don't have time for! To keep the words flowing, I try to stay focused on ideas. Less on the specifics and more on the overall message; what do I want to say and why do I want to say it? Try asking yourself the same questions today. With Mercury, your ruler, now moving forwards, the mental block you've been struggling with will begin to lift. There's so much to tell you about October and you're going to love it. For news you need to hear, call 0906 751 5606.

LIBRA Sep 24 - Oct 23 YOUR sense of material and emotional security must improve. That's not 'must' as in 'needs to', It's 'must' as In 'simply can't do anything else'. That's reassuring — as is the fact that your sense of wellbeing must also increase. Here, though, that's 'must' as in 'needs to'. With Venus, your ruler, in your sign, despite the difficulties you face, things will get better. It's just that in order to appreciate the cosmic support that's on offer, you need to open your eyes to improvements and trust. October brings the cosmic potential to make your dreams come true. Call your four-minute forecast: 0906 751 5607.

SCORPIO oct 24 - Nov 22 Experienced a hangover you'll know of the ramifications. The headaches, the anxious recollections and the vows 'never to do it again'. Until the next time! Alcohol-related (or not), there's a dash of perversity in us all. We sometimes make promises we can't keep. Someone has made you an important promise. I'm not suggesting they won't keep it. But there's a difference between what's said and what's done. If you manage your expectations, you'll find a sure-fire way to make the changes you wish to see. If you don't usually call your forecast, this is the month to do it. Your October prediction

SAGITTARIUS Nov 23 - Dec 21 THEY say time is a great healer and it can bring about the most incredible transformations. Sometimes, though, you have a rather tricky relationship with time, not least because you tend to speed through life at a frenetic pace. Multi-tasking, which is one of

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your assets, doesn't come easily to everyone. Neither does the ability to juggle lots of ideas at the same time. You're hoping that a dream will come true. It will, but you need to think in terms of weeks (not days). Welcome to an exciting month. October's cosmic events could transform your life. Find out how. Call 0906 751 5609.

CAPRICORN Dec 22 - Jan 20 WHAT if I

that I hadn't created a horoscope for you? That you haven't done enough to deserve one? Instead, there's a little lecture about how to improve your behaviour, plus a list of activities you need to refrain from? Consider your knuckles rapped! Feeling better? I suspect not. It's certainly not my place to drag you over the coals. But it isn't anyone else's either. The cosmos is urging you to ignore any negativity today. Don't allow anyone to judge you (and that includes yourself). October is chock-a-block with celestial action. Your month holds great potential for positive change. Call 0906 751 5610.

AQUARIUS Jan 21-Feb 19 SHALL we try an experiment today? I'm going to think about an apple and your job is to try to guess what I'm thinking about. Ready? Brilliant. You got it right! You don't think of yourself as being able to read people's minds, yet you don't need to have telepathic skills to know what's on the mind of a key person in your world right now. They're sending out very clear signals — all you need to do is pay them enough attention. If you understand them, they'll return the favour. It's October! For uplifting news on how

It's October! For uplifting news on how the thrilling astrological action brings exciting opportunities, call 0906 751 5611.

PISCES Feb 20 - Mar 20 CHOOSE a number. Divide it by two, add the number you were originally thinking of and then multiply it by 251. And, just be aware that the second you make a mistake, this entire exercise will be invalidated. Well, not quite. You're surrounded by people who seem to be convinced that one very specific formula is the only way to resolve a current predicament. Unsurprisingly, your instinctive mistrust of such fixed dictates has been well and truly awoken. And rightly so. Don't be afraid to do things your way today. Welcome to October! Your prediction for this action packed month is ready.

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History tells us to give Liz and Kwasi a chance

MANY letters from Conservative voters about tax reductions for 'the rich' show a lack of understanding of how a successful economy works.

In 1964, when Labour came to power under Harold Wilson, Denis Healey, the Chancellor, vowed to squeeze property speculators meaning the rich — 'until the pips squeak'. His high-tax regime led to a mass exodus of our most talented individuals, mostly to the U.S., from where few returned.

This 'brain drain' was a selfinflicted wound to Britain's economy. Coupled with the failure of successive governments to rein in militant trade unions, it led to 15 years of decline and made Britain 'the sick man of Europe'. It was only when the Conservative government of Margaret Thatcher came to power in 1979 that the economy grew again, leading to the prosperity we enjoy today.

Labour has always been the party of levelling down — no one must be allowed to do better than anyone else. The Conservatives are the party that seeks to level up, by providing a climate in which talented entrepreneurs can build successful businesses, boosting employment and the economy.

Every Labour government has brought Britain's economy to its knees. Please do not risk this happening again. Give Liz Truss and Kwasi Kwarteng the benefit of the doubt, until their policies have a chance to prove themselves.

MALCOLM HEYMER, Dereham, Norfolk.

Speaking her mind

DOES Rupa Huq losing the whip for calling Kwasi Kwarteng 'superficially black' mean free speech is not welcome in Keir Starmer's Labour Party?

In the business world, employers

Straight to the POINT



ALAN CHURCH, Ely, Cambs.

■ IF ARMED men turned up at my door in Yorkshire, I'd have voted to join Russia too.

DENNIS FISHER, Leeds.

■ THERESA MAY said there was 'no magic money tree'. There seems to be a forest of them now.

pay us to comply with rules and

eject us if we don't do so. But

party leaders don't pay MPs;

society does. Political parties are

not controlled environments.

They are a reflection of society:

When we disagree with people,

in my opinion we should take note,

not trigger a series of controlling

events. I think Hug's words were

offensive and culturally appropria-

tive. But if she hadn't said what

she did, would she still think it?

Now her 'truth' is out, the elector-

ate can make more informed

decisions about voting for her, and

the party leader can pass her over

for promotion (or not) on the

Removing the whip from Huq

shows that in Starmer's Labour

Party, free speech is unwelcome

and if they win the next General

Election, Labour will be in control.

HARRIET GOULD,

Gamlingay, Cambs.

basis of that knowledge.

Imagine that.

unwieldy and free.

LAWRIE WOODYER, Batley, W. Yorks.

■ THE IMF and the BBC in full cry. Liz Truss must be getting something right.

MAURICE HAWKINS, Ballyearry, Co Antrim.

■ LET'S just use Indian rupees instead of pounds.

SAMUEL FAROOQ, London SW17.

■ PLEASE come back, Boris.

TONY WHEATLEY, Chichester, W. Sussex.

WHAT colour wallpaper does Keir Starmer want?

> TONY CARRUTHERS, Amble, Northumberland

Lucky Starmers

KEIR STARMER emphasises that he is working class because his family had their phone cut off in the 1970s. They had a phone?

> ERIC CRAGGS, Shildon, Co Durham.

Smart or dumb?

THE rollout of smart meters has cost £13 billion, yet already some are obsolete or don't work properly (Money Mail).

If you are cold, put the heating on. You don't need a smart meter to tell you that. Let's just look forward to spring, and

LYNN WALKER, London SE12.

Regal example

THE 'Labour for a Republic' group is aggrieved that the accession of King Charles III means a 'white, privileged male' is head of state.

Has it occurred to them that, thanks to the reign of Queen Elizabeth II and her consort Prince Philip, we had a woman, married to an immigrant, as our head of state for 70 years?

Not only that, we had a female head of state at a time when the U.S., France, Germany, Italy, Portugal and most other liberal European republics had never elected a female president.

The monarchy has done more for minority representation than

Our equals but not our betters, so why do we still curtsy and bow?



Age of deference: A curtsy to the Queen Mother in the 1950s

I CANNOT understand why people think they should bow or curtsy to members of the Royal Family.

It is servile, demeaning and embarrassing. The new King would do well to make clear that he doesn't want, expect or require anyone to do this

ever again, in public or in private. In the meantime, people should just stop doing it. Eventually the penny would drop that although we may respect the Royals and the job they do, they are our equals, not our betters.

> MARTIN CUTTS, Whaley Bridge, Derbys.

most of the republics these failed revolutionaries want to ape

> ROBERT FRAZER. Salford, Gtr Manchester.

Russians routed

DR YURI FELSHTINSKY (Letters), listing Russian mobilisations, omitted to mention the one in 1919-20 when the Red Army battled against Poland. The eventual result of the Russo-Polish war was a rout of the Russians; the Treaty of Riga in 1921 ceded territory to Poland. This is the example Ukraine should bear in mind as it fights for its territory.

> Dr TAD PALUCHOWSKI, West Chiltington, W. Sussex.

Who should pay?

THE cost of housing Channel migrants in hotels has risen to £1.3 billion a year, according to one analysis (Mail). Surely that sum should be met from our foreign aid budget.

Name and address supplied.

Give your blessing

BISHOPS are now days away from reporting recommendations to the General Synod on whether to allow same-sex couples to marry in the Church.

To withhold even a blessing in church is surely making the Church ill. The number of gay suicides is a grim statistic, and religion is a significant factor in gay Christian suicides.

It is sad that some people cannot see a love that wants to protect, support and give joy to the person someone is meant to be with Instead, that love is illegitimate, unblessed, out of God's holy garden. It is said to be a sin but gay couples feel so blessed. Extend the love, extend the blessing.

If you support this view, please email your local bishop.

M. FITCH, Norwich.

Fine the French

WE SHOULD fine France for allowing fare-paying passengers to travel in unregistered, unlicensed, uninsured craft

GORDON DOWNEY, Hastings, East Sussex.

Future ills

AM I being simplistic about GP appointments? When I was growing up, if you weren't feeling well or developed something overnight, you went to see the doctor How do I know if I will feel unwell in two or three weeks' time?

JUNE ESTE, Newbury, Berks.

Sorry you're leaving

HOW to get staff back in the office (Mail)? Follow Elon Musk's dictum: 'If you don't show up, we will assume you have resigned.'

BOB TERRY, Thanet, Kent.

Rishi was right

OUR country's finances would have been safer in the hands of a prime minister with a sound economic background. Just about everything Rishi Sunak warned would happen has come to pass, although as it is party conference season, he is denied the opportunity to stand up in Parliament and say: 'I told you your economic policy would be disastrous.' Let's hope our new Chancellor has some idea how to fix this mess

HELEN MONTAGUE. Hunstanton, Norfolk.

Glow and see

FOOTBALL and rugby clubs propose changing kick-off times to reduce electricity costs. Surely luminous balls are the answer.

> R.C.R. CROWLEY, Bovey Tracey, Devon.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

IF anyone says, 'I love God', yet hates his brother, he is a llar. 1 John 4:20

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proceed to say something that is

TO AVOID answering questions directly, politicians who have memorised their irrelevant reply often begin with 'Well, what we must remember is ... or 'What's

> R. HARRIS, Tonbridge, Kent.

I'VE HEARD a lot of people, including celebrities, preface statements with 'I'm not going to lie'. Does that mean if they don't say it, they are lying?

DEREK WARD, Southampton.

THE phrase that really annoys me is 'going forward' instead of 'in future'. Another is 'at this moment in time' instead of 'now' or 'at the moment'.

DAVID BECK, Waterlooville, Hants

DAVID MILNES, Sevenoaks, Kent. POLITICIANS often begin their pronouncements with 'to be clear', then

WHY do so many people say 'you know'

Football pundits are probably the worst

programme I watched recently, one of

in nearly every sentence they utter?

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them said it 61 times.

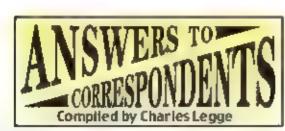
muddled and ambiguous.

Which overused phrase is most annoying?

ANGELA PRUSS, Chigwell, Essex.

important is that ...'

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QUESTION Why do many young female American voices sound so croaky?

THIS phenomenon is called vocal fry because it sounds like frying bacon. It's a way for Millennials, girls and boys, to signify they are part of an 'in crowd'. It has become an increasingly habitual manner of speaking which, like all things American, has crept into British culture.

Vocal fry was popularised by pop stars in the Noughties such as Katy Perry, Rihanna, Britney Spears and Kesha. The archetype is Britney's hit Baby One More Time, where she sings 'Oh baby, baby'

using vocal fry.

Vocal fry has historically been used as a trick by male baritone singers to sing bass. It went by various names such as 'glottal scrape' or 'click' 'croak' or 'creaky' voice. It's achieved by squeezing the vocal [arytenoid] cartilages together. This allows the vocal cords to be loose and floppy. When air passes between them, they vibrate irregularly, causing the croak. In the classical world, fry is a sign of an unskilled singer.

Vocal fry's migration into everyday speech falls into the category of a learned behaviour, it's cognate with the adoption of inner city-slang and the upward glide

Valerie Timmins, Bath, Somerset.

QUESTION in Victorian times, who were the **Banner Ladies?** at the end of a sentence BANNER Ladies, once jokingly described

as human billboards, first became popular in 1870s America. They were young women recruited to advertise local businesses by wearing the items they sold. They might be dressed in bread and pretzels to advertise a bakery, flowers to promote a florist's or cutlery and scissors on behalf of a hardware store.

Croaky queen: Britney Spears's 1998

video for her hit, Baby One More Time

There was no limit to the advertisers' creativity as they dressed women in chairs, carpets, lightbulbs and horseshoes

One woman was decorated with 16 hand-painted shaving mugs by a pottery designer, one wore a collection of starched collars to advertise a laundry and another sported a camera as a hat to endorse a photography studio. A jewellery store asked its Banner Lady to wear a clock on her head.

Why Britney loves a fry-up

The women would carry signs bearing the name and address of the store they were working for. The craze, which arose because it saved stores the expense of buying more permanent advertising space, spread across the Atlantic to Europe.

The Banner Ladies would be photographed in their extravagant outfits and copies of the pictures circulated as cabinet cards, the collection of which was a novelty in an era when many depicted famous actresses and courtesans.

The Banner Lady phenomenon lasted 20 or 30 years before being overshadowed by the growing popularity of picture postcards but, even today, the word banner is still used to describe the clickinducing advertising found on websites.

Ian MacDonald, Billericay, Essex.

QUESTION If you sent a letter in 19thcentury London, could you expect a reply within two hours?

FURTHER to the earlier answer, this must have been the case at one time. I have postcards sent to and from my grandmother in the early 1900s before World War I. They were written and posted in the morning to say, 'see you for tea at 4 o'clock this afternoon'.

Mavis Watling, Sittingbourne, Kent.

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> 2 carrots, chopped 3 garlic cloves, sliced

1 litre veg stock

Method

1tsp tamari

seeds reserved

1½ tsp chilli flakes

1tsp maple syrup

1 Rinse pumpkin seeds. Spread out on a plate, pat dry. Toast 50g of seeds in pan over medium heat with oats and I tsp each of coriander seeds and chilli flakes for three minutes. Stir in tamari and maple syrup. Simmer for 30 seconds. Transfer to a plate.

2 Heat oil and cook onion, celery, carrots, garlic and pumpkin, along with remaining spices and seasoning, for 10 mins. Pour in stock. Simmer with lid on for 20-25 mins. Blitz using hand blender. Serve with savoury granola sprinkled on top.

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Q: Has any UK pop star had a hit abroad by re-recording a song in a foreign language? Jane Mansfield, Leeds.

Q: What is the significance of the small crosses carved into kerbstones around Central London?

Q: Is it unhealthy to reuse cooking oil?

Michael Wilkinson, London WC2.

Peter Smith, Durham.

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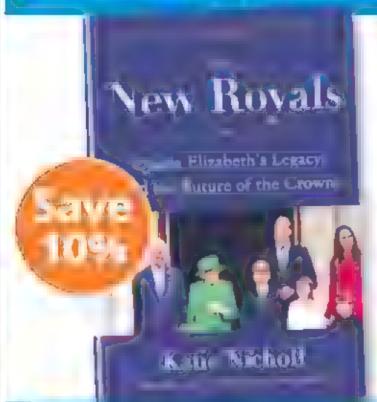
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A STAIRLIFT can be a life-changer — but the biggest challenge might be accepting that we need one. Many of us struggle on for far too long before finally admitting that we need help. And that lost time often involves relying on assistance from others to use the stairs or being confined to the ground floor with sleeping quarters in the corner of the living room. For others the decision comes more quickly, triggered by something as simple as a trip or fall in the home. There's a rollercoaster



Picture STANNAH

of emotions — yet they can be put to bed with a simple ride on a customisable stairlift. Stannah is at the top of

the tree when it comes to making and fitting stairlifts, having installed more than 700,000. What's important is realising that there are two arguments going on in our heads. Firstly, we don't want to give up our sense of independence. Secondly, we don't want to move from the home we know and love - it might be possible but is an inconvenient and unwelcome change. Adapting the home to make getting around easier is the way forward and upward. A stairlift makes staying at home a realistic and

affordable option, and restores the freedom to enjoy the whole of our home again. Stannah designs stairlifts to suit all types of stairs straight up and down and those awkward ones with bends in them. They can be customised to suit the user's needs as well as their home, and they come in varied fabrics, colours and trims — so a stairlift really has style With the option to buy or rent, and the choice of new or reconditioned models, a Stannah stairlift means that the stairs are no longer that

huge mountain to climb.

Lift is smart option for baby boomers

AS BABY
boomers move
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of later-life consumers, negotiating stairs can still be a leading mobility predicament to solve. Expectations are now for design to remain as important as functionality. And what is more design-led that a homelift from the UK's largest provider, Stiltz? A Stiltz Homelift is a confident choice for the discerning consumer a harmonious blend of function and form designed specifically for home use. it's a contemporary problemsolving solution with special design features. Take, for example, the Trio+

with its compact footprint that can accommodate up to three people or a wheelchair, yet nimble enough to fit into the tightest of spaces.

Then there is the ThruCar concept, unique to Stiltz.



Picture: STILT

which allows the user to enter and exit through opposite sides of the lift car. This is perfect for centre-stage installs away from walls and for wheelchair users to transfer seamlessly without turning. Rather than being hydraulic, the Stiltz Homelift really is plug-and-play. It is powered through a dedicated, standard domestic electric socket which operates a remarkably quiet motor housed in the top of the lift car. Running costs are reassuringly low too, at less than 1p for 50 journeys. The baby boomers may be slowing down, but they're still leading the way when it comes to making smart choices and redefining ageing and mobility.

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Picture: AMPLIFON

when you last had your hearing tested.

Experts recommend doing this every year.

Taking action early could certainly help not doing so has been found to increase chances of developing dementia.

Only around 40 per cent of those who need hearing aids have them. But did you art hearing tests now

know that you can have a free, no-obligation hearing test?

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provided by Amplifon are by appointment only and can be booked either online, by phone or by popping into your local clinic.

And do seek help if you have hearing aids but think that they are not helping enough or want to check they are working properly.

Some hearing clinics will offer free trials of hearing aids.

CHRISTINA GREEN has had gastrointestinal problems for years. causing stomach aches, wind and nausea. Her doctor has prescribed medication in the past, but she suffered side effects that made her feel worse, and troublesome fatigue. 'I have tried several other natural remedies such as peppermint oil and aloe vera before. but neither was much help. 'My stomach issues have been very

Relief from my gastro symptoms

Christina has her confidence back

of symptoms. I'd often put things off and feel anxious about going out to social occasions." Around two years ago, Christina, 74, saw Silicolael advertised. 'I decided to give it a try. not really expecting it to

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every cloud has a silver lining,

garden rotted, and a recent

storm sent it off down the

road, thankfully missing



Picture, COTSWOLD COLLECTIONS

tweeds, patterns and pleats.
Additionally, layer up in smart coats and warm padded jackets, perfect for all weathers and occasions and beat the chill

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Doggy 'pawrents' needed in light of the financial crisis



Picture DOGS TRUST

almost a fifth of people are most worried about the cost of feeding them. To ensure Dogs Trust can continue to be there for every dog who needs help, the charity is urgently seeking more foster carers who can offer temporary homes to dogs in need, freeing

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up kennel space for those most at risk. In particular, Dogs Trust is calling for experienced owners with space in their homes and hearts for dogs that are more difficult to find forever homes for, such as those that are big. un-housetrained or have challenging behavlour. All fosterers are supported by a dedicated team of home-from-home coordinators. More information can be found online on the charity's rehoming and fostering pages.



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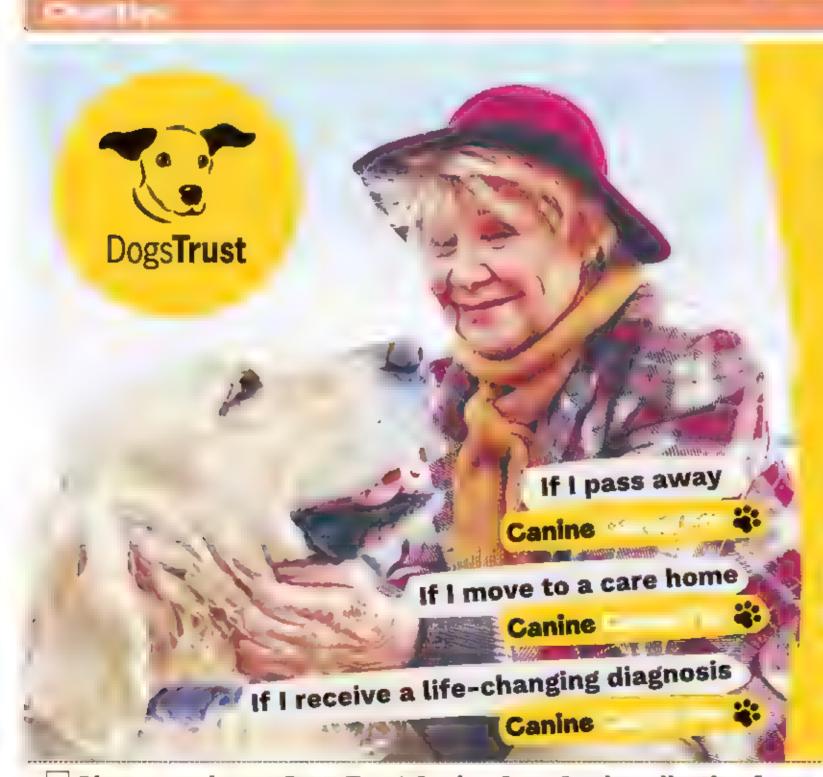






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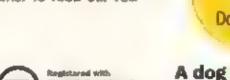
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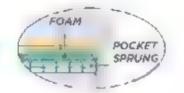
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Tories must show steel

S IF the Prime Minister did not have enough to worry about, a row over thousands of jobs in the steel industry is blowing up just as an already bruising party conference gets under way.

British Steel, which despite its name is Chinese-owned, has, according to Sky News, gone cap in hand to Business Secretary Jacob Rees-Mogg asking for an urgent bailout likely to amount to hundreds of millions of pounds.

The firm claims without emergency support its blast furnaces are unlikely to be viable due to the energy crisis.

The business employs 4,000 people directly, paying higher than average wages in Red Wall areas including Scunthorpe, where voters' allegiance to the Conservatives may be tentative. Thousands more supply chain jobs could also be affected.

Handing large amounts of taxpayer cash to a Chinese corporation in the current atmosphere would be inflammatory. In the Cameron

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and Osborne years, the Tories tried cosying up to Beijing, but the mood has been souring for some years, as relations have been strained because of the treatment of protesters in Hong Kong, and abuse of Uighur Muslims.

Government is no longer relaxed about Chinese involvement in key sectors such as telecoms, nuclear energy or indeed steel.

It hardly needs saying that the demand for financial help, from a company that boasted of its open chequebook when it took over British Steel three years ago, comes at a highly inopportune moment when the Government has been accused of fiscal irresponsibility in its mini-budget.

As I warned at the time, the sale of British Steel to Jingye for around £50m in late 2019 was flawed from the start. The deal smacked of expediency: It conveniently avoided job losses in northern constituencies in the middle of Boris Johnson's election campaign.

The suspicion was that the Chinese were buying a key asset on the cheap. At the time, Jingye's chairman Li Ganpo, a former Communist party official, turned on the treacle hose to full nozzle.

E raved about a 'splendid future' in which British Steel would 'revitalise the glory' and 'impress the world!' 'Need funds? No problem. Jingye is here to invest.'

Instead of taking that torrent of guff at face value, the then-government should have retained a golden share in British Steel and forced the Chinese to make legal undertakings on jobs, investment and supply-chain firms. As it is, ministers are in a bind. The

steel industry, though much diminished, still employs 34,500 people directly and supports another 43,000 supply chain roles

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Government could provide support, including help on high electricity costs, which were a problem long before the Ukraine war broke out. In 2019/20, for instance, UK producers were paying 62pc more than those in Germany. The industry has been asking government to help iron out the disparity for years.

Steel in the UK could have a great future Britain is well placed for net zero production thanks to our expertise in electric arc furnaces and carbon storage in the North Sea.

Government projects will require 5.2m tons of steel over the next five years. Procurement from the UK instead of importing could boost the economy by up to £4bn.

Trade regulators need to take a realistic, rather than a dogmatic free market approach to the dumping of cheap Chinese rebar, which they seem, belatedly, to have realised.

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If the Truss government is serious about growth and securing our industrial future, it needs to commit to long-term support for steel, rather than selling out to self-interested overseas buyers.

MORRISONS FACES £95M SURGE IN BORROWING COSTS



MORRISONS is bracing for a £95m hit as the cost of servicing its huge debt pile soars.

Market turmoil will see the embattled grocer face an additional £35m in annual interest payments on its £6.6bn of borrowing, credit rating agency Moody's said.

It will face a further £60m shock if the Bank of England raises interest rates to 4.25pc, as economists expect. Each 0.25 percentage-point increase in the Bank's lending rate will cost Morrisons an additional £7m to £8m, it said.

The huge spike in borrowing costs will raise further questions about the

role of private equity firms, which rely on huge amounts of debt to fund takeovers, in the UK grocery market.

It is the latest blow for the retailer since it fell into the hands of US private equity shark Clayton, Dubilier and Rice last year.

Since the £7bn deal, spearheaded by ex-Tesco boss Sir Terry Leahy (pictured), the Bradford-based grocer has seen its market share tumble and lost its coveted spot in the 'Big Four' of UK supermarkets to discounter Aldi.

A source close to CD&R told The Sunday Times that Morrisons had access to substantial cash.

Loss-making Bank North to wind down

Fintech challenger fails to raise capital

A START-UP challenger bank which aimed to disrupt the small business lending market has thrown in the towel after falling to raise cash to keep it afloat.

Bank North was trying to find £30m to secure a full banking licence from the Bank of England, which would have allowed it to take deposits from retail savers.

But in a letter to shareholders over the weekend, seen by the Daily Mail, the stricken bank's chairman Ron Emerson said it had been 'unable to close this critical capital raise within the necessary timeline'.

'It is therefore with great regret that I have to inform you that... the board of Bank North has decided to initiate a solvent wind-down of the bank, with immediate effect,' by **Patrick Tooher**

Emerson added. Bank North is in talks with an unnamed third party to sell its £17m loan book and transfer its Manchesterbased lending team – about a third of its 60 staff.

A deal could be done in the next few weeks but Emerson cautioned: 'Completion of this transaction is critical to ensuring a solvent wind-down, where the priority will be to ensure full payment of our creditors, including staff, and that all outstanding liabilities are paid.'

Whatever the outcome, the bank will hand back its licence to the Prudential Regulatory Authority, which approves new banks.

The news is another headache for beleaguered Bank of England governor Andrew Bailey, who is already battling to shore up confidence in the mortgage, pensions and currency markets amid ongoing turmoil. It is also a blow to the Government's 'levelling up' agenda as Bank North focused on plugging a gap in the regional lending market.

Founded in 2018, the 'fintechenabled' start-up specialised in making loans to local small businesses of between £500,000 and £5m. It began lending to them a year ago after acquiring a restricted banking licence.

Emerson, a former chairman of the state-backed British Business Bank, blamed 'a gathering storm of economic uncertainty over the past six months' for Bank North's failure. Latest accounts show it lost £1.9m in the nine months to March 2021.

The Bank of England declined to comment.

by **Neil Craven**

CONSUMER goods giant Unilever is heading for a clash with rival Reckitt Benckiser in its hunt for a new boss after the chief executives of both firms announced their exit within weeks of one another.

The FTSE 100 companies, two of the biggest on the London stock market, will be fishing in the same pool for talent with both sizing up senior executives from L'Oreal and Procter & Gamble. Unilever announced last week that Alan

Unilever and Reckitt go head to head in battle for chief executives

Jope would step down after less than four years at the helm.

His departure follows a tumultuous year in which the company - which owns global brands such as Dove - infuriated investors with its bungled attempt to buy GSK's consumer healthcare business. The firm also incurred the wrath of fund manager Terry Smith, who accused it of losing its focus on profit.

At Reckitt, Laxman Narasimhan quit to become chief executive at

coffee chain Starbucks. British firms face fierce competition to lure top executives as US corporations typically offer far more lucrative rewards.

Unilever has invited City investors to a strategy day in December, which could allow internal candidates to prove themselves.

Martin Deboo, consumer goods expert at broker Jefferies, said Hanneke Faber, who runs Unilever's nutrition division, and Fernando Fernandez, who looks after beauty and wellbeing products, are regarded as potential candidates.

Unilever and Reckitt may try to poach from each other. Deboo said Reckitt executives Kris Licht and Volker Kuhn could be on the list of target candidates for Unilever. KELSO

WELL EDUCATED 1.25 — (J Bewley) 4-1 1, Evita Du Meanil 28-1 2 Boilingerandiurug 4-1 3. II ran. (G Bewley). nk, hd. Tote: 5.00; 4.70, 1.50, 1.20, Ex. 59.20, Tc. 470 62. Tr. 258.10. CSF 93 82

2.00 - BALKALIN (A Anderson) 7-1 1; Traprain Law 13-8F 2: Game Beans 14-1 3. 6 ran. (M Barnes) 214 24 Total 8 00 3 10. 1 40 Ex 20 80 Tt 173 10 CSF 19 66 NR Snake Boll. 2.36 — THE VOLLAN (B Hughes)

9-2 1, Haute Estime 6-6F 2; 3 ran. Morgan). 5%. Tota: 5.50; Ex. 7.20. TF 6 90 CSF 9.87 3.12 -- GOLD DES BOIS (C O'Farrell) 6-4F 1; Malystic 15-8(2ndFav) 2, Nero Rock 8-1 3, 4 ren. (I Jardine) 1¼, 3½. Tota: 2.50; Ex: 4.40. Tf: 10.00 CSF: 4.79. 3.45 — SERIOUS OPERATOR (D R Fox) 6-2(2ndFav) 1, Mortlach 10-11F 2: Whelens Bridge 5-1 3. 7 mm. (L. Russell). 11/4, 13L Tote:

19 30 CSF 5 27 4.20 - RADOLE AND HUM (B Hughes) evensF 1; Prince Dundee 6-2 2: Exit To Where 9-4(2ndFeV) 3, 3 ran. (Mrs A Duffield, 111 5 h. Tote 200 Ex 3 20 TT 2 40 CSF 3.71 NR

3 60; 1.80, 1.10. Ext 6.10. Th

Readysteadybeau 4.55 - RICKETY GATE (C Rabbitt) 11-4F 1; Costletown 4-1(Jt2ndFav) 2; Coup De Gold 4-1(Jt2ndFev) 3 13 ren. (N Richards), 4%, hd. Tote: 3.80; 1 70, 1.80, 1 80 Ex: 18 60 Tc: 45.22 Th 38 to. CSF- 14 09 NR: Shaws Bridge

Placepot £351.30 @'pot £32.70. UTTOXETER 1.08 - ARE U WISE TO THAT (Jonjo O'Nell! Jr) evensF 1; Meetmelater 150-1 2; Zuralg 8-1 3. 6 ran. (Jonjo O'Nell). 5%, 141. Tote: 2.00; 1.10, 17.30. Ex:

104.70, Tr 696.50, CSF 48.00 NR: Great Heart'Jac 1.43 — MOFASA (Luca Morgan) 7-1 1, Colonel Harry evensF 2; Seigneur Des As 5-1 3. 8 ran. (M Scudamore). 7l, 71/2. Tote: 8.00 2 80. 1.20. Ex: 16.40. Tr. 55 80

CSF: 15.17 **AUCUNRISQUE** 2 18 (T Cannon) 4-6F 1; Jetotle 2-1(2ndFav) 2; Stepney Causeway 11-2 3. 4 rans. (C Gordon). %, 4l. Tota: 1.67; Ex: 2.10. Tt: 2.60. CSF

2.53 - GOOD IMPRESSION (B R Jones) 4-1(2ndFav) 1, Luna Dora 10-1 2; Chef De Troupe 11-1 3, 10 run. (B J Llewellyn). 4, hd. Tote: 5.00; 1.80, 2.70, 3.30 Ex: 45 40 Tc: 408 81 TF 467 40, CSF: 43 20 3.28 — LUCKY LOVER BOY (H

Brooke) 2-1F 1. Couldbeavencon 15-2 2: Thistie Do 66-1 3, 8 ran. (Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero) nk, 4l. Tole: 3.00; 1.10, 1.90, 11.50 Ext 16.70. To: 728.65. Th 501 50. CSF: 17.46. NR Kilcaragh

4.03 - EASKEY LAD (J Bowen) 9-2(2ndFav) 1; Flying Verse 5-1 2; High Counsel 12-1 3. 8 ran. (R Curtis) 3'4. 3'4. Tote: 5 50 1 60 200 290 Ex 2380 Tc 249 17 TI 217 80 CSF 27 05

4.38 — GEORDIE DES CHAMPS (S Bowen) 15-2 1; Mr Yeata 4-1JtFav 2, isthebaropen 10-1 3. # ran. (Fl Curtis) 21, %, Tote: 8 50: 2.50, 1.30, 2.60, Ex: 40.10, To: 5.13 — JAMACHO (Paul O'Brien) 7-2 1, Galice Macalo 9-4(2ndFav) 2: Katpoll 86-40F 3, 5 ran. (C Longsdon). 6l, 9l. Tote: 4.50; 1 70. 1 80. Ex. 13.00. Tt. 25 60 CSF 12 06. Jackpot £2,775 BO Placepot £64.60. Q'pot £23.20

LONGCHAMP 1.17 - BELBEK (M Barzalona) 1; Camestop 2; Breizh Sky 3. 8 ran. (A Fabre). nk, nk. Tote: €18 70; €3.90, €3.00, €1.90. Th €36.90.

NR: The Antarctic 1.50 - BLUE ROSE CEN (A Lemaitre) 1; Gen Teoreinn 2; Never Ending Story 3, 12 ran. (Chr. Head). 5l, shd. Tote: €5 70; €2 20, €8.50, €2 70. Tr €148 40.

2.25 - LADY PRINCESS (J Crowley) 1; Ebraz 2; Djefer 3, 16 rmr. (T Fourcy). 1%, 3l. Tote: €3 00; €1 60, €3.50, €9.40, TI: €231.90. 3.05 - ALPINISTA (L. Morris) 1; Vadeni 2: Torquator Tasso 3. 20 ran. (Sir M Prescott (UK)), 1/4, nk. Tote: €4.30; €1.70, €2.70, €2.30. 3 50 — PLACE DU CARROUSEL (M Barzalona) 1, Nashwa 2; Above The Curve 3, 16 ran. (A Fabre), 34, shd. Tote: €42 00; €5.30, €1.40, €1 80 Tf: £88 90

4.26 - THE PLATINUM QUEEN (H Doyle) 1, White Lavender 2; Coeur De Pierre 3, 18 ran. (R Fahey (UK)), shd, nk. Tota: 62 40: €1.60, €5 30, €2 00, Tf. €73 10, NRs Caturra, Castle Star, A Case Of You, Aginto, Berneuil, Mitbaahy, Tees Spirit, Flaasel, Moonersta, Teresa Mendoza, Flotus, Miramar

5.00 - KINROSS (L Detton) 1; Malevath 2; Entscheiden 3, 10 ran. (FI Beckett (UK)) 2l, 1l Tote: €2.70 €1 60, €4 00, €6 60 TF €149 30

HOTSPOTS

MARSH BENHAM (Windsor, 1.30) WEIGHTIME GAME **ELUSIVE ARTIST** (Wolverhampton, 6.30) Down 1916 from last winning mark STORM MASTER

CAPTAIN HEATH THE

(Wolverhampton, 8.30)

THE PRINCES POET (nap) (Windsor, 1.30) GAINSBOURG (nb) (Pontefract, 3.40) BHYTHM (Pontefract, 4.50)

1.30 -HANDICAP (6) £7,500 added (£3,726) 101 (8) 359 SWISS PRICE 13 (P) (DB) R Ted 6-9-12 C Hutchineon (6) 102 (12) 925 NUBOUGH 19 (T) (D2) M Pattinson 6-9-12..........J Brywn 103 (15) 93L THE PRINCES POET 37 (C2) (G) E J-Houghton 4-9-12

104 (10) 305 MARSH SENHAM 21 (G) G Baker 3-9-11 ... P Coograms

106 (11) 454 JOY CHOI 117 (D) (S) M Saunders 4-9-10 106 (4) 459 PETTOCHSIDE 12 (CADCOT) (GS) J Bridger 13-9-10 D Costello

107 (1) 522 BIG BARD 21 (P) (D2BF) (G) G L Moore 4-9-10 R Clutterbuck 108 (16) 255 VAPE 38 (P) (CADDZ) (S) J Flint 5-9-9 A Keeley (6) 109 (2) 588 THE COLA KID 36 (PT) (D4) (G) G Harris 5-9-9 J Fally 111 (3) 0-06 THOMAS EQUINAS 234 D Novy 3-9-7... . N Currie 112 (9) 337 CONNIE'S ROSE 8 (D) (G) G Harris 3-9-7 R Hornby 113 (6) 349 EVASIVE POWER 36 (D3BF) (GS) R Brisland 6-9-7

C Shepherd 114 (7) LO-2 AUTURIN ANGEL 22 A Castol 3-8-7 ... Molie Philips (3) 115 (5) 402 GREY GALLEON 22 (P) (CD3) (G) FI Teal 8-9-5

F Larson (5) 116 (13) 212 BLUE COLLAR LAD 8 (G) R Brisland 3-9-4 David Egon Probable SP: 9-2 Blue Collar Lad, 5 Big Bard, 8 Grey Galleon, 10 Autumn Angel, Vape, Nubough, 12 Joy Chol, Swiss Pride, 14 Connie's Rose, Evasive Power, The Princes

Poet, Petiochside, 16 Marsh Benham, 20 Lucia Joy 2 -MAID EN STAKES (5) £8,000 added (£4,320) 6f 12yds (16)

5 ANGEL OF TRAFALGAR 17 Tom Clover 3-9-7 N Callen FLIGHT MODE W Mur & C Grassick 3-9-7 L Edmundo 203 (10) 86 HAVEAGOBEAU 13 J Boyle 3-9-7... P Congress 204 (11) 36 IMPRINT 17 M Rimel 3-9-7 . A Hornby .F Lareon (6) MAXZENO M Appleby 3-9-7. PAY FOR ADAAY (H) S Hodgson 3-9-7 W Carver (3) 206 (12) 207 (13) 88 ROMAN TEMPEST 144 J Boyle 3-9-7. .JF Egun 200 (16) 9 SPIRIT OF CAHALA 17 R Tea 3-9-7. C Hutchinson (5) A LADY FOREVER R Brisland 3-9-2. الماسيا آ.. 210 (1) BLUE COLLAR LASS R Bristand 3-9-2 David Egen 211 (8) 622 CALETA SUNRISE 15 (H) H Palmer 3-9-2 H Davies (3) S M Levey 212 (3) SL CITTONE 195 J Tate 3-9-2 ...J Falty 34 ELETTARIA 36 C Cox 3-9-2 2 FANCIFUL 20 W Haggas 3-9-2 .T Marguand 215 (14) 2 SHADES OF SUMMER 199 J Tale 3-9-2... .. A Alterni ...DO'Nell 216 (7) B5 TWILIGHT MISCHIEF 54 H Candy 3-9-2 Probable SP: 9-4 Shades Of Summer, 11-4 Fanciful. 7.2 Caleta Sunrise, 7 Elettaria, 14 Twilight Mischief. Angel

2.37 -NURSERY (5) (2-Y-0) £9,000 added (£4,536) 1m 2f (7) 301 (5) 444 EDGE OF DARKNESS 11 C & M Johnston 9-11

A Attent 302 (5) 242 TELLATELLER 25 R Hannon 9-11 P Dobbe 303 (7) 1L3 DIVINA GRACE 20 (G) R Guest 9-9... C Shepherd 304 (3) 871 ENOCHDHU 26 J Portman 9-4... A Hornby 305 (4) 543 SYDNEY MEWS 21 A Balding 9-1 H Deven (3) 306 (2) 5L7 RED ROSETTA 31 L Dace 8-10 .. R Clutterbuck A Keeley (5) 307 (1) 616 MRABELLO BAY 2 J S Moore 8-2 Probable SP: 2 Enochdhu, 4 Tellateller, 5 Edge Of Darkness, Divina Grace, 6 Sydney Mews, 12 Mirabello Bay, 16 Red Rosetta.

3.12 -HANDICAP (3) £14,000 added (£7,560) 401 (5) 830 GRAPHITE 100 (T) (8) T Kent 8-10-0

402 (9) 56-3 WAHRAAN 38 (GS) Sir M Stoute 4-9-12.....R Kingmonte 403 (11) L12 BAD COMPANY 8 (P) (C) (S) J Boyle 5-9-10 404 (4) 28L- SKY DEFENDER 363 (G) C & M Johnston 6-9-10

405 (2) 3L9 CELTIC ART 58 (G) J Scott 5-9-8...,... C Hutchinson (5) 407 (1) 296 KNIGHT OF HONOUR 17 Ja T Gosden 3-9-5

B Seyutte (3) 408 (10) 740 SURRIEY MIST 68 (D) K P De Foy 3-9-4. D Muncul 409 (7) L7L NOBLE MASQUERADE 37 (V) (C4020) (G)

E J-Houghton 5-9-3 Georgia Dobie (3) 410 (6) 96L SKY POWER 17 (P) R Becketi 5-9-2... ... A Hornby 411 (3) LLB SOVEREIGN DUKE 16 (G) H Candy 7-8-10H Duvies (3) Probable SP: 10-3 Wahraan, 4 Hamaki, 9-2 Knight Of Honour, 5 Bad Company. 7 Surrey Mist, 14 Graphile, 16 Sovereign Duke, Sky Defender, 20 Celtic Art, Nobie Masquerade.

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ROBIN GOOD FELLOW

GIMCRACK 1.30 The Princes Poet 1.30 Big Bard 2.02 Fancitul

2.37 Tellatelle 2.37 Tellateller 3.12 Wahraan (nb) 3.12 Hamaki 3,47 Star Player 3.47 Star Player 4.22 My Lion 4.22 Klimova 4,57 Gentle Whenry 4,57 Bloomwithgrace 5.32 Kinlenko 5.32 Foden

NEWMARKET - 2.02 Fanciful (nb), 5.32 KIRILENKO (nap).

47 -NURSERY (5) (2-Y-0) £9,000 added (£4,536) Im 31yds (9)

901 (6) 246 STARNBERG 26 (8) R Hannon 9-11. S W Leven 502 (3) 31L STAR PLAYER 10 S & E Cristord 8-9 T Morguend 503 (7) 638 GRAND CENTRAL 26 (PT) C Cox 9-8 J Fath 165 GREASED LIGHTNING 30 EurHoughlon 9-8 C Biohop 505 (B) 239 SAXON SCENE 45 W Mutr & C Grassick 9-7 ...L Edmunds 506 (2) 644 NOVAPORTIAN 18 (P) H Paimer 9-7 H Devies (3) 507 (4) 957 ORCHESTRA 18 E Duntop 9-6 R Clutterbuck 508 (1) 21.4 KIND SPIRIT 21 C & M Johnston 9-5 .A Kungeoote **David Egen** 609 (9) 364 CHOURMO 8 M Channon 9-4. Probable SP: 15-8 Star Player, 11-2 Stamberg, 6 Kind

Spirit, 7 Novaportian, 8 Grand Central, 10 Saxon Scene 22 -FILLIES' NOVICE STAKES (DIV 1) (5) (2-Y-0) £6,800 added (£3,672) 1m 31yds (10)

9 AMELIA'S AMBITION 9 É Dunico 9-2...... R Clutterbuck 902 31 0 ANGEL DE LUZ 9 G Bouchey 9-2. B Seyette (3) 803 51 L DAJSY ROOTS 21 A West 9-2 T Ladd 81 MB FOLK STAR D M Smootk 9-2 H Turrer 805 1(h KLIMOVA 27 .. Fanshawe 9-2 D Muscutt 606 1) KRONA C & M Johnston 9-2 A Attent M Harley 85 LIONELLA 74 A King 9-2... 4 MY LION 19 (H) A Baiding 9-2 Deved East 909 (9) 35 STORYINTHESAND 21 M Boti 9-2 . N Callen 610 (4) ZOUZANNA H & FI Charton 9-2. Probable SP: 5-2 My Lion, 10-3 Storyinthesiand, 13-2 Krona, 7 Zouzanna, 15-2 Lionella, 8 Klimova, 10 Folk Star

-FILLIES' NOVICE STAKES (DIV 2) (3) (2-Y-0) £6,800 added (£3,672) 1m 31yds (10) 88 AL HARGAN 26 R Hannon 9-2. 3 BLOOMWITHGRACE 16 T Descorribe 9-2 R Kingacote 9 COMMUNICATION 27 (H) C Cox 9-2. J Fahr LO FOOTSTEPS 26 (P) J S Moore 9-2 Georgia Dobie (3) 54 GENTLE WHINNY 18 D Coakley 9-2. .T Marguand

9 LADY BRYANSTON 28 R Hughes 9-2. .P Congrave L LA MUJER 12 G Raker 9-2 40 MALLORE PARKES 33 P Evans 9-2 C Bushop 33 PRIDE OF THE PACK 51 (BF) R Beckelt 9-2 R Homby Devid Egen 10 (10) 23 THERAPIST 18 A Baiding 9-2 Probable SP: 9-4 Bloomwithgrace, 5-2 Therapist, 3 Gentle

Whinny 4 Pnde Of The Pack, 20 Mallorie Parkes 5.32 -HANDICAP (4) £10,800 added (£5,508)

544 DANDY MAESTRO 45 (V) (DD) (S) R Spenos 4-10-0_N Turner SLD ALDHAJA 16 (D) (S) C Hills 3-9-11 ______D O'Neil ..DO'Neil (4) 7-13 FODEN 10 (S) R Hannon 3-9-10... S M Levey 3 4 (13) 215 ROSE BARTON 57 (CAD) (G) K P De Foy 3-9-10 . B Seyette (3) 371 SECRET ARMY 48 (D) D Menuisier 3-9-10 A Atsoni 6 (12) 0-07 DINOO 16 (TV) FI Varian 4-9-9 L89 BEAU JARDINE 37 (D) (S) J Bridger 4-9-9. C Shepherd 517 MURTASHM 18 (P) (D2) (S) E Dúrsop 3-9-9 . N Callen 150 THAPA VC 16 M Rimet 4-9-8 . R Hombs 120 MICKS DREAM 16 (G) FI Teal 4-9-7 . T Marguano 11 (7) 3-42 XIRILENKO 99 (BF3) Sit M Stoute 3-9-6 R Kingocote 12 (2) 434 STAR ZINC 16 (H) C Fellowes 3-9-5H Davies (3) 818 MY MATE TED 30 (D) R Teal 3-9-4... ...F Larson (5) 321 JADE COUNTRY 18 (D) E J-Houghton 3-9-4 .C Binhop Probable SP: 4 Kirilenko, 5 Secret Army, 6 Foden, 7 Jade

Country 8 Rose Barton, 10 Star Zinc, 12 Dingo, Micks Dream

TRACK FACTS: JACKPOT & PRINCIPAL MEET-ING. Figure of eight course. GOING: Good to soft-good in places. STALLS: 1m inside; remainder centre. DRAW ADVANTAGE: Low in sprints. Top ockey: Tom Marquand, Top trainer: A Hannon. Headgear first time: 1.30 Big Bard, 2.02 Pay For Adaay, 3.12 Sky Power, 3.47 Grand Central Stamberg, 5.32 Dinoo, Muhlashim, Longest travellers: Edge Of Darkness (2.37), Sky Defender (3.12), Kind Spirit (3.47), Krona (4.22) 238 miles. Drop in Class: 1.30 The Princes Poet is down 2 grades on last run (Class 4 to Class 6), Pettochside (2); 4.22 Angel De Luz (2); 5.32 Dandy Maestro (2), My Male Ted (2)

First run since wind surgery: 3.47 Grand Central.

1.00 (4) £9,900 added (£4,629) 2m 6f 125yds (5) 1 214-ESPRIT DE SOMOZA 187 (PT) (CADBF) (S) Mrs J Wittams 8-11-12 J R Wildman (7) PLL AL ROC 13 (BT) (S) D Pipe 11-11-10 P Armeon (3) 811- STORM DENNIS 219 C Gordon 6-11 10

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-CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP CHASE

R F Houlihan L33 SHETLAND BUS 20 (PT) Dr R Newtand 9-11-6 Mr L Scott (8)

544 TEMPLEHILLS 26 (T) (CADC) (S) N Twiston-Davies 11 11 2 J Number (3) Probable SP: 13-8 Storm Dennis, 11-4 Espril De Somoza, 4 Shetland Bus, 5 Templehills, 10 Al Roc

35 -JUVENILE MAIDEN HURDLE (4) (3-Y-0) 69,100 added (64,575) 2m 70yds (7) CAESAR'S PALACE F93 C Longsdon 11-2 Lilly Pinchin (3) .H Skelton MEDYAF F255 D Skellon 11-2... ONEFORTHEGUTTER F16 ! Williams 11.2 C Todd

POWER GENERATION F100 S-J Device 11-2 C Laterard M Bestywi SUL POGUE MISSION 33 (T) M Harts 11 2 2 LA SREILLE 107 R Banday 10-9 H Benneter A McLemon LEMON ICE F61 S Curran 10-9...

Probable SP: 11-8 Oneforthegulter, 10-3 Caesar's Palace, 7.2 Medyal, 11.2 La Breille, 16 Rogue Mission. O-NOVICES' HUNDLE (4) £8,000 added (£4,357) 2m 70yds (13)

1 IIT'S A GOOD NAME 113 (S) W Greatrex 4-11-6.. H Brooks 64P CABAYO LORD GEORGE 26 (BT) Deborah Cote 6-11-0 C Ward (6) 54-# CARRIG CRUA 346 Christian Williams 6-11-0 J Tudor DANCING HARRY F43 (T) PI Teal 5-11-0 J M Deven

E 2/10-8 DONAIRE 177 (HT) N Twiston-Device 6-11-0. S Twiston-Device 826 GONE IN SIXTY 13 A Hales 5-11-0 Harriot Tucker (7) RRI. HAATNOLL HERO 184 (H) V Dartnall 6-11-0 A Johns 21L- MASTER DANCER 279 R Bandey 5-11-0 H Bennveter 674 MIL FOLHAS HAS 20 P Bowert 6-11-0. J Bower 10 218/# PARRAMOUNT 641 C Longsdon 6-11-0 A Column P- BASELINE 163 P Hobbs 4-10-13 . TJOBnen 60 BUMPY EVANS 21 B and 4:10-13 Sean Houldhan 7 SHIYRVANN 20 (T) S Edmunds 4-10-13 C Gethings Probable SP: 11-4 Parramount, 7-2 Donaire, 4 Dancing

Harry, 6 It's A Good Name, 8 Master Dancer, 14 Gone In Strty 16 Carrig Crua, 20 Shiyiyann, Baseline -NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (5) £8,400 45 added (£3,812) 2m 3f 98yds (8)

F22 SUBLIME HEIGHTS 169 T Lawes 6-12-0 T Cannon 225- FAITQUE DE L'ISLE 220 M Soudamore 7 11 7 ... R Patroix 424 HERONORO 15 E Whams 5-11 7 A Wedge 9/LL- ACES FULL, 503 S Curran 7-11-4... R McLemon PP-3 NOTNOW SEAMUS 127 (BT) D J Jeffreys 11 11 3T Bellamy P-6L JACK THUNDER 64 (T) A Haies 8-10-(1 . H Bannistei P33 TIME TO BITE 26 Chris Honour 7-10-9. B Carver 61L AHEAD OF SCHEDULE 66 (CBF) Mrs N Evans 7-10-7

Shane Quantum (S) Probable SP: 10-3 Time To Bite, 4 Subtime Heights, 5 Heronord, 6 Ahead Of Schedule, 7 Notnow Seamus, Failque De L'Isie & Jack Thunder 16 Aces Full.

TRACK FACTS: L-H course, GOING: Good Top jockey: Harry Skelton, Top trainer: D Skelton. Placed in the race last year: 1 00 Templehills (1st) Headgear first time: 2.10 Cabayo Lord George, Dancing Harry, Donaire, Shiyrvann, 2,45 Jack Thunder, 3.20 Every Breakin Wave. Longest traveller: Milfolhas Has (2.10) 193 miles. Drop in Class: 2.10 Donaire is down 5 grades on last run (Grade 2 to

ROBIN GOODFELLOW

1.00 Shetland Bus 1.35 Oneforthegutter 2.10 Donaire 2.45 Heronord

1.00 Storm Dennis 1.35 Medyal 2.10 It's A Good Name 2.45 Heronord 3.20 Dynamic Kate 3.20 Dynamic Kate 3.55 Master Blaze 3.55 Dream in The Park 4.30 Pappa Rocco Coco 4.30 Borderkne

GIMCRACK

3.20 -HANDICAP HURDLE (4) £9,100 added (£4,575) 2m 6f Tyds (8)

1 12-2 KAZONTHERAZZ 140 (D) (S) M Keighley 6-12-0 PL6- BALLINTUBBER BOY 181 (P) (CAD) N Twiston-Davies 5-11-13 S Twiston-Devise PP4-SOME BUCKLE 340 (S) Deborah Cole 13-11-13 C Ward (6)

4 PLP EVERY BREAKIN WÂVE 20 (BT) (CADO Claire Hitch 12-11-12 B Godlvey (3) 5 3-26 GEORGE BANCROFT 20 (P) (S) C Longadon 4-11-7

James O'Neill Jr 05-2 LAND OF MY DELIGHT 69 D J Jeffreys 6-11-3....T Gollomy 121 DYNAMIC KATE 29 (PT) (D2) N Multipliand 6-11-2 T Eveton (7)

342 DELLBOY TROTTER 2 Tracey Leason 6-10-10 NON RUNNER Probable SP: 2 Dynamic Kate, 4 Land Of My Delight,

Kazontherazz, 6 George Bancroft, 12 Ballintubber Boy 55 -NOVICES¹ HANDICAP HURDLE (4) £9,100 added (£4,575) 2m 2f 148yds (5) 223- DREAM IN THE PARK 230 (BF) E Lavolle 5-12-0 T Bellamy 24-2 BENANDGONE 161 B Barr 5-11-11 ...

T Doggrell (7) GLL- MASTER BLAZE 233 (PT) D Pipe 4-11-9 1L6 REAMS OF LOVE 40 (C) D J Jeffreys 4-11 7

4P5 MARTALARD('JAC 20 (H) M Flowley 5-10-11...A Edwards (3) Probable SP: Evens Dream In The Park, 7.2 Benandgone, 9-2 Reams Of Love, 8 Master Blaze, 10 Martalmix jac

.30 (£3,812) 2m 70yds (8) -OPEN NH FLAT RACE (4) £7,000 added 1-4 GUN RUNNER CASH 162 (H) (DBF) (S) B Lund 5-11-7.... Body Financia BORIS THE ANIMAL O Murphy 8-11-0. S Bourn

BENNY SILVER N Twiston-Davies 4-10-13 S Tueston-Davies 2 BORDERLINE 42 M Keighley 4-10-13. ...J Beat 4 KAYF LEGEND 170 C Gordon 4-10-13. T Cannon A Wedge MY FRIEND DIXIE E Wilhams 4-10-13 PAPPA ROCCO COCO J Snowden 4-10-13. G Sheehar 7/ MIDNIGHT MALIN 938 A Honeyball 6-10-7 Probable SP: 11-4 Gun Runner Cash, 9-2 Borderline, 5 Benny Silver, 6 Borls The Animal, 7 My Friend Dice, Kayf

Legend, 8 Pappa Rocco Coco, 20 Midnight Mailn Class 4), Parramount (5) First run since wind sur-

gery: 2 10 Parramount, 3.55 Master Blaze

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1 25 Midnight Lion 1 25 Forceful Speed 1 55 Sassy Belle 1 55 Sassy Belle 2 30 Emperor Caradoc (nb) 2 30 My Silent Song 3.05 WYNFORD (nap) 3.05 WYNFORD (nap) 3 40 Gainsbourg 3.40 Tangled 4.15 Sobegrand 4.15 Reach

4.50 Rhythm 4.50 Carlton And Co 5.25 Run This Way 5.25 Sweet Glance NORTHERNER - 1.25 Midnight Lion (nb);

HIA

3.05 WYNFORD (nap). 1.25 -NOVICE STAKES (4) (2-Y-0) E8,000 added (£4,320) tm 2f 5yds (6)

\$12 FORCEFUL SPEED 13 G Bouchev 9-10 \$ Oaborne (3) .. C Bessley 7 BAROQUE PRINCE 11 M Dods 9-4... 7 FAIRBANKS 20 A Baiding 8-4. ..P J McDonald 42 MIDNIGHT LION 12 (BF) C & M Johnston 9-4 ... H Doyle 6 SUTUE ALSHAMS 121 Jardine 9-4. RED BIAD C & M Johnston 8-13. J Hert Probable SP: 11-8 Midnight Lion, 2 Forceful Speed, 4 Red

Bird, 10 Fairbanks

1.55 -NURSERY (4) (2-Y-0) £9,000 added (£4,536) 6f (10) (8) 214 WEN MOON 61 (BF) B Hastam 9-9. 038 SHANDY STAR 17 (C&DD) R Fell 9-9 184 BRAVEHEART BOY 17 (CAD) (G) T Fasterby 9-7 D Allen 423 REWARD SMILE 17 (T) H Palmer 9-6 S Ouborne (3) (6) 223 SASSY BELLE 46 (BF2) E Walker 9-5 P J McDoreld 318 OHNOJOE 52 (D) (G) Oily Williams 9-2 327 CRATTEL VILLAGE 19 B Ellison 9-2... P Dermis E Robinson 536 BOROUGH 33 (BF) FI Becket 9-1... H Crouch (4) 213 SALEET 37 (D) T Easterby 9-0S B Kirrane (3) 10 (10) 386 KITBAG 12 (D) M Channon 9-0. C Beasley Probable SP: 3 Sassy Belle, 4 Reward Smile, 6 Braveheart Boy Wen Moon, 7 Berough, 8 Saleet, 14 Shandy Star

4L2 DEVASBOY 9 (D) (G) C & M Johnston 9-8... 334 MY SILENT SONG 30 (CRO2) (G) E Dunlop 9-8 . P J McDoneld 124 DUNGAR GLORY 18 (D) A Keatley 9-7. Ryun Sexton (5) 371 EMPEROR CARADOC 25 (S) B Smart 9-6 G Lee H Doyle 5L5 THE COOKSTOWN CAFU 52 K Ryan 8-2 K Stott (8) 6-L5 LIKE A LION 13 (8) T Easterby 9-1 D Affen 211 RAVENGLASS 38 (D2) (G) Fi Fahey 9-0 10 (3) 247 RED ASTAIRE 10 T Easterby 8-8 . 11 (†1) 725 DO I DREAM 17 (CAD) (S) B Haslam 8-7....... A Mullen

Probable SP: 10-3 Improvise, 7-2 Ravenglass, 8 Emperor Caradoc, 7 Devasboy, 8 My Silent Song. 3.05 -HANDICAP (5) £7,000 added (£3,456)

(5) 420 TENDENTIOUS 10 (P) (G) D O'Meara 4-10-2 Jacon Welson 742 FLINT HILL 18 (C2) (GS) Ruth Jefferson 6-10-1... G Lee 0/11 FLAT WHITE 27 (S) L Wadham 5-10-1 ... P J McDonald 813 WYNFORD 18 (BT) (CAD) (S) R Menzies 9-9-13... K Stott (9) 39-9 VISITE OFFICIELLÉ 18 (T) (S) M Hammond 4-9-6 H Doyle (4) L10 DEREHAM 18 (C) (S) J Berry 6-9-4... F McMiniomen (3) 236 MISTER CAMACHO (7 (P) M & D Easterby 3-0-1 Johnna Menon 2L6 MONTICELLO 6 N Mechie 8-9-0.... ... A Breufin (3) (1) 353 HENRY THE FIFTH 61 (PT) (S) A Carson 4-8-13...linusy Quinn Probable SP: 9-4 Flat White, 7.2 Wynlord, 5 Flint Hill,

Mister Camacho, Dereham, 10 Henry The Fifth, Tendentious TRACK FACTS: L-H course, GOING: Good to soft-soft in places. STALLS: inside. DRAW ADVAN-TAGE Low Top Jockey Graham Lee Top trainer: R Fahey Placed in the race last year: 3.05 Wynford (1s1), Dereham (2nd); 3.40 Littlé Jo (3rd). Drop in Class: 1.25 Midnight Lion is down 2 grades on last run (Class 2 to Class 4); 1.55 Wen Moon (2); Shandy Star (2), Braveheart Boy (2); Reward Smile (2); 3.40 Perfect Swiss (3): 4.50 The Dunkirk Lads (2): Barney's Bay (2); 5.25 Run This Way (3), Beattle is Back (3).

.40 -HANDICAP (5) £7,000 added (£3,466)

1 (9) 651 GAINSBOURG 18 (P) (CAD2D) (S) E Bethell 4-10-0 2 (17) 334 TANGLED 21 (D2) (GS) Gernma Tulty 7-9-9. A Brookes (S) 3 (10) 513 POET'S DAWN 6 (D4) (GS) T Easterby 7-9-9.... D Allen 732 SILVER SCREEN 10 Jack Jones 3-9-9 D E Hogen \$1.5 KING CARNEY 130 (C&DD) (S) R Menzies 5-9-8 ... K Statt 6 (1) 762 CISCO DISCO 18 (V) (S) A Fahey 4-9-9...... Oleán Orr 7 (6) 535 END ZONE 7 (P) (D) (GS) R Fell 5-9-7........... H Doyle 8 (14) 500 URBAN VIOLET 12 (S) M Channon 4-9-6..... C Bessley 9 H11 2LO SWASHBUCKLER 17 T Lacey 3-9-6 Juston Wetson 10 (15) 326 PERFECT SWISS 00 (CAD2D4) (GS) T Easterby 6-9-5 749 WOTS THE WIFI CODE 64 (P) (D) (S) T Coyle 5-9-6. P Mathews 443 MENEUAUS 17 (P) M & D Fasterby 3-9-5 Journa Muson 13 (4) 164 WOTEVER NEXT 18 (1) (5) A Kealey 3-8-4. Ryun Seaton (5) 55L FIFTYSHADESARESDEV 26 M Hammond 3-9-1 J Hart

15 (2) 468 LITTLE JO 25 (P) (CADD6) (GS) Germa Fulty 8-9-1 Laura Coughlan (6) 16 (16) 928 MR STRUTTER 7 (GS) D Thompson 8-8-12......T Enves 17 (12) 846 DISTINCTION 20 (S) J Mackle 4-8-8A Mullen Probable SP: 11 2 Gainsbourg, 6 Cisco Disco, 7 Menelaus, B Sliver Screen, Poet's Dawn, 12 Wotever Next, Tangled

15 -MAIDEN STAKES (3) £12,000 added (£6,480) 1m: 4f 5yds (7) FLOY JOY 17 S Pearce 6-9-13. 24 SCOTTISH WIND 33 L Russell 4-9-13... J Hart 63 KAYLYN 42 C Fairburst 4-9-8. Paulo Mur (3) 32 REACH 19 M & D Easterby 4-9-8 C Beaster 225 AEGIS POWER 163 A Baiding 3-9-7P J McDonald 2 SOBEGRAND 26 (P) J & T Gosden 3-9-7... H Dovin

ZAIN FARHH R Fahey 3-9-7. . Owen Orr Probable SP: 10-11 Sobegrand, 4 Aegis Power, 6 Reach, 8 Kaytyn, 10 Zain Farth, 14 Scottish Wind

4.50 -HANDICAP (DIV 1) (5) £7,000 added (£3,456) 6f (11) 1 (3) SLL UNCLE JUMBO 20 (6T) (D) Steph Hollinshead 4-9-12 2.30 -HANDICAP (4) (3-Y-0) £16,000 added 2 (1) 2L6 GUMDROP 26 (D) (S) R Fahey 4-9-11 _____ Olion Ov 3 (8) 90L ROUNDHAY PARK 73 (D3) (GS) N Tiroter 7-9-11 569 THE DUNKTRK LADS 28 (D2) (G) T Easlerby 3-8-8 ... D Femilianum 263 CARLTON AND CO 18 M & D Ensterby 3-9-6 Journal Mason L80 BARNEY'S BAY 9 (B) (D2) (S) T Easterby 4-9-50 Allen \$42 KENTUCKY ROSE 15 (D) (S) X Payan 3-9-3...... K Short

553 PATONTHEBACK 9 (P) (D28F) Germina Tully 4-9-2 C Becoley 9 573 RHYTHM 9 (P) (D) (G) FI Carr 4-8-13...... 10 (11) 464 BRIDES BAY 9 S England 3-8-11... ...P Henegen 11 (4) 414 ROUND THE ISLAND 16 (P) (C&D7D3) (GS) Simon Whitaker 9-6-9 H Doyle Probable SP: 9-2 Round The Island. 6 Carlton And Co, 11-2 Patentheback, Kentucky Rose, 7 Rhythm, 8 Brides Bay

5.25 -HANDICAP (DIV 2) (5) £7,000 added (6) 887 RUN THIS WAY 18 (CADD) (S) P Midgley 4-9-12 G Lee (5) 310 BEATTIE IS BACK 17 Pt Fahey 3-9-11 3 (2) 11.1 CODE PURPLE 98 B Hasiam 3-9-9... 4 (11) 585 COTTAM LANE 11 (T) (CAD) (G) N Tinkler 4-9-8

F McMenomen (3) 6 (10) 1LO DANDY SPIRIT 18 (8) (CAD2) (G) FI Fell 5-9-6 J Peale (5) 9L7 CLARETS GLORY 15 (BEH) (CED) (G) M Dods 3-9-4 ... P Dennis 502 SWEET GLANCE 27 (B) (D) (S) K Ryan 3-9-2..., K Stolk 561 TERUNTUM STAR 25 (P) (D7) (GS) S Doon 10-9-0 D Swik 9 (8) 49C REDROSEZORRO 82 (H) (D4) (S) E Alston 8-9-0... J Hurt 10 (9) LLB EAST STREET REVUE 9 (8) (CD3) (GS)
T Easterty 9-8-11 D Aller

11 (3) 125 MAGICAL EFFECT 12 (V) (CAD2D2BF2) (GS) H Carr 10-8-8 H Doyle Probable SP: 3 Teruntum Star, 4 Magical Effect, 9-2 Sweet Giance, 7 Seattle Is Back, 10 Cottam Lane, 12 Run This Way, 14 Dandy Spirit, Carets Glory

leadgear first time: 2.30 Hezmie, 3.40 Menelaus, 4.15 Sobegrand, 4.50 Barney's Bay, Patontheback, Uncle Jumbo, 5.25 Sweet Glance.Longest traveller-Scottish Wind (4.15) 235 miles. First run since wind surgery: 2.30 The Cookstown Cafu.

4.46 -HANDICAP (6) £7,500 added (£3,726) im 4f 51yds (8) 1 (1) 31. RED BOND 17 (P) (CEDC) K Dalgleish 6-10-4 C Redrigum 1 (5) 7L9 HOOFLEPUFF 13 (V) (C&D4C2) H Bethell 6-10-3 C Hardin 3 (2) 140 TRIBAL COMMANDER 38 (PT) (C) Mrs S Leech 6-10-2 S W Kelly

SLL BROOMY LAW 175 (B) S Dixon 4-9-13... K O'Nail 847 ARAB CINDER 17 W Knight 3-9-8. D Tudhope 342 SHOWMAN 17 (BF) H Morrison 3-9-G Rooke 354 ROCHEBRUNE 44 (BF) G Baker 3-8-13 T Fisher (7) 678 MR RUMBALICIOUS 62 (H) A King 3-8-12...... L Kenny

Probable SP: 13-8 Showman, 7 2 Rochebrune, 5 Red Bond, 6 Arab Cinder, 12 Mr Rumbalicious, Triba: Commander -NOVICE STAKES (5) £8,000 added (£4,320) 5.20 5f 21yds (6)

 (1) 2LL ALFRED COVE 21 G Scott 3-9-7 321 EL HIBRI 45 (P) A Carroll 3-9-7... 933 IT IS NOW 10 (B) R Varian 3-9-7 4 (6) 232 LA EQUINATA 22 (P) M Murphy & M Kearly 3-9-2 T Finher (7) (7) 833 MANHATTANVILLE 20 (V) (D) E. Durlop 3-8-7 22L NO GUTS NO GLORY 52 Adrien Nicholis 3-9-2 . C Murtagh 6 (3) L33 PALIFICO 6 P Morris 4-9-2. ...C Planes (7) Probable SP: 3 No Guts No Glory, 10-3 it is Now, 4 Pairfice,

5 La Equinata, El Hibri, 8 Alfred Cove 5.55 - HANDICAP (5) £9,000 added (£4,536)

305 PORFIN 11 (C2D) P McEntee 4-9-8.. Molly Presined (7) 4 (3) 622 POP DANCER 19 (P) (D4) A Carroll 5-0-8. ...C Lee 6 (8) L56 SENECA CHIEF 103 (P) (CADDS) D & C Kubier 8-9-7

L Morrie 6 (4) 556 BIRKENHEAD 12 (V) [Do] 1 Matwater 3-9-6... W Carson 7 (7) 261 CABEZA DE LLAVE 43 (D2) M Atwater 43 (D2) M Atwate II (10) P22 KIM WEXLER 30 (D) D Loughnane 4-9-4 S Churchi (3) II (9) 9L9 CHARMING KID 30 (1) (C&D2D) D Nory 6-9-4 C Bernett 10 (1 525 MADAME FENELLA 31 D Shink 3-9-1 11 (6) 34L SYMBOL OF HOPE 22 (P) (D3) G Harris 4-8-13 R Deutson Probable SP- 7.2 Pop Dancer 4 Cabeza De Llave 6 Kim Wexler, 15-2 Mick's Spirit, 8 Madame Fenella, 1

100 6.30 (£3,726) Im 142yds (13) -HANDICAP (DIV 1) (6) £7,500 added

 (1) 251 LAURENTIA 18 (C&D) D Ivory 6-9-9. 2 (10) 330 DEFILADE 22 (PT) (C) Mrs S Leech 6-9-8,..... S W Kelly 3 (5) 340 BROUGHTONS FLARE 30 (C&D) M Loughtane 6-9-7 R Davemon 4 (8) 628 FALSE ID 27 (C4D2C) S Spencer 9-9-6 NON RUNNER 6 (4) 56t. FLY THE NEST 111 A Carrol 6-9-5 I. Morris 6 (9) 344 ELUSIVE ARTIST J21 A Carroll 4-9-4. ...Citee 7 (11) OOL JASTAR 30 R Potter 3-9-3 Elinha Whittington (5) LOL ISLE OF HOPE 9 (P) D P Quinn 3-93 .: Kaiya France (7) 10 (13) 875 CHRISTINES ANGEL 61 A Carroll 5-9-3.... J Finher (6) 11 (2) 384 RAYI ROAD 18 (P) M Usher 3-9-1. S Donohoe 12 (12) 744 BUACHAILL 13 Mrs Stella Barclay 3-8-13 P Mulreman (III (13)

13-2 Broughtons Flare, 7 Rayi Road, Defilade, 10 Buachaill -HANDICAP (DIV 2) (6) £7,500 added 7.00 (£3,726) 1m 142yds (13)

Probable SP: 2 Laurentia, 11-2 Elusive Artist,

13 (6) 447 HAMMOCK 9 (B) J S Moore 3-8-13...

1 (B) 824 INEXPLICABLE 11 (TV) (CAD3C) A Britain 5-9-9 C Hardin 2 (12) 64L ROMULAN PRINCÉ 200 Oby Williams 4-9-8 L. Cetton (5) (4) 006- VOICE OF HOPE J111 M Young 5-9-8 Josephine Gordon 83L LADY ZIANA 20 (P) D Brown 4-9-6... ...G Roale 508 CREEK HARBOUR 16 (C2) A White 7-9-6 B Senderson (3) 636 WELL PREPARED 35 (T) M Loughnane 5-9-5 ... A Demon 7 (2) 80L GUITAR 161 (C) Martin Smith 3-9-4 P Mulrennen 232 THREE DONS 11 A Carroll 3-9-4 C Lee INN HE'S SO BRAZEN 59 Jessica Macey 3-9-3. 9 (3) H Shaw L37 BIG DUTCHIE 13 (P) Philip Makin 4-9-3. BIRKIE GIRL 49 (P) J S Moore 3-92 Eliaha Whitington (5) 12 (6) L60 IMMAMARIAN BOY II (V) A Kealley 3-9-0 C Murtagh 13 (9) 42L SOMEDAYONEDAYNEVER 60 A Carrol 3-8-13L Morris

Probable SP: 9-4 Three Dons, 5 Inexplicable, 6 Birkie Girl,

8 Somedayonedaynever, 10 Guitar, 12 Well Prepared

ROBIN GOODFELLOW GIMCRACK 4.46 Red Bond 4.46 Showman 5.20 Palifico 5.20 La Equinata 5.55 Symbol of Hope 5.55 Pop Dancer 5.30 Laurentia 6.30 Elusive Artist 7.00 Inexplicable 7.30 Chookie Dunedin 7.30 Ibiza Rocks 6.00 Kanawha **8.00 Capital Offence** 8.30 Steelriver

7.30 -HANDICAP (4) £10,800 added (£5,508) 1 (11) 5L6 IBIZA ROCKS 11 (D) E Belhell 4-9-11 Tudhope 2 (2) 1-24 SECRET MOMENT 117 (TV) (CAD) S bin Surger 5-9-11 S Cherchi (3)

337 ROCK MELODY 12 (CAD) K P De Foy 3-8-8 . T Fisher (7) (1) 727 GAVI DI GAVI 45 (P) (C&DCD2) A King 7-9-8...L Keniry (4) 844 FREEDOM AND WHEAT 37 (P) (C&D2D) M Blake 6-9-8 5 Donohoe C Lee | 6 (9) 809 GOLDEN MAYFLOWER 18 (T) (D) Miss A Murphy 3-9-7 A Dewson

7.00 809 ABU MALEK 50 J Chapple-Hyern 4-9-7 . Grace McEntee (3) 268 BRAINS 20 J Butler 6-9-7 10 (12) 10-L LAHEG 19 M Botti 3-9-6.

11 (3) 211. JILLY COOPER 40 (D) C & M Johnston 3-9-6 O Simmons (3) 12 (8) 803 CHOOKIE DUNEDIN 6 (CAD4C3D4) K Dalgleish 7-9-4 Probable SP: 7.2 Secret Moment, 11.2 Manhattanville,

8 Golden Mayflower, Freedom And Wheat, Jilly Cooper .00 -NURSERY (6) (2-Y-0) E7,500 added (E3,726) 5f 2fyds (11) (9) 874 CAPITAL OFFENCE 11 E Belhal 9-9 D Tudhope 11 433 DOCTOR MOZART 5 (V) P Evans 9-9 A Downer 795 KANAWHA 8 M Channon 9-8 G Bone (3) 014 GEORGIA MADELEINE 28 (D) S Pearce 9-3 J Mitchell (5) 8L6 TALENTED 19 (T) N Trider 9-3. P Multanner

675 EYERNAL LIFE 25 J Butter 9-2 L Morras 467 ALAINN TU 21 J S Moore 9-1 **L. Kenry** (8) 5L. THIAGO 34 A Britain 9-1 C Hardie 284 CLOUD FLYER 16 (BT) G Boughey 9-0.... C Plones (7) GL5 PINK STRIPES 40 L Williamson 8-13...... Z Wheatey (5) 11 (10) 36L MAJE 34 N Tinkler 8-11 A Jery (7) Probable SP: 11 4 Capital Offence, 3 Georgia Madeseine, 7-2 Doctor Mozart, 12 Kanawha, Cloud Flyer, 14 Eternal Life. 8.30 -HANDICAP (6) £7,500 added (£3,726)

66-L. SECRET TRYST 10 (H) W Knight 3-9-8 D Tudhope 085 IDOAPOLOGISE 27 (D) B Elison 5-9-8 N Russell (3) 661 STEELRIVER 51 (CADSC3D3) M Herrington 12-9-6

H Show (4) 379 BIG IMPACT 50 (D2) R Brisland 5-9-6. . W Carson 311. GLAMOROUS FORCE 28 (C) R Harris 5-9-5. T Whelen 067 INAAM 26 (C4D) J Butler 9-9-3 .G Wood L34 NACHO 4 (PT) (C3) D McCain 4-9-0 ... 10 (9) 354 QUARTER BLUE 34 (TV) N Mulholand 4-8-9 .. L Morris 11 (12) 966 STORM MASTER 7 J Riches 5-8-9 JP Sullivan 12 (1) 087 MUSAYTIR 8 (P) G Harris 4-8-9. ..K O'Neil 13 (6) 0-LO SWISS MAGIC 84 A Winte 4-8-9... ...G Rooke Probable SP: 5 Nacho, 11 2 Steelriver, 6 Ramdon Rocks,

Secret Tryst, Big Impact, 8 Glamorous Force, Quarter Blue. TRACK FACTS: L-H Tapeta course.

GOING: Standard, STALLS: 7f outside; remainder inside. DRAW ADVANTAGE: None. Top jockey: Luke Morris, Top trainer: P Evans, Placed in the race last year: 5 55 Mick's Spirit (3rd); 6.30 Broughtons Flare (1st), Headgear first time: 4.46 Broomy Law, 5.20 El Hibri, La Equinata, 6.30 Purple Paddy, 8.00 Talented, 8.30 Quarter Blue, Longest travellers; Red Bond (4.46) & Chookie Dunedin (7.30) 271 miles. Drop in Class: 5.55 Symbol of Hope is down 3 grades on last run (Class 2 to Class First run since wind surgery: None today.

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Racing Correspondent reports from Longchamp

OING into the Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, Sir Mark Prescott described past experiences of disappointing, losing trips to France as his 'Dunkirks'.

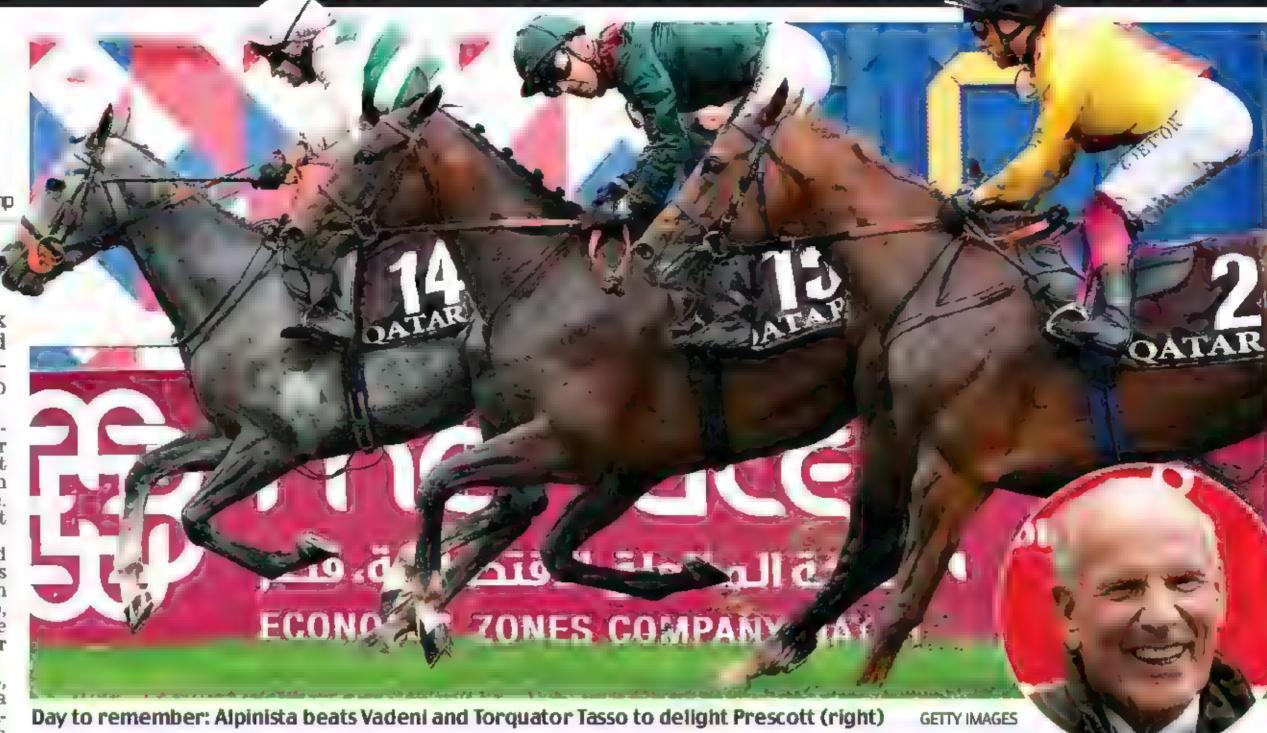
Yesterday Alpinista gave Newmarket's longest-serving trainer his VE Day with a magnificent half-length victory in Paris in Europe's most prestigious race. Prescott described it as 'the best day of my racing life'.

The 20-runner race looked fiendishly competitive and was preceded by a cloudburst which turned Longchamp into a swamp, but it went like clockwork for the well-backed 7-2 favourite under jockey Luke Morris.

Sitting pretty a furlong out, Alpinista beat Vadeni half a length, with 2021 winner Torquator Tasso a neck further back in third. Alpinista never looking like she would be overhauled.

Alpinista, bred and owned by

ARC TOP 3



Prescott's Arc glory as Alpinista reigns

Winning trainer hails the best day of his life

1: ALPINISTA 7-2 🙈 J: Luke Morris T: Sir Mark Prescott 2: VADENI 9-1 J: Christophe Soumillon T: Jean-Claude Rouger 3: TORQUATOR TASSO 7-1

Kirsten Rausing, has now won her last eight races - six at Group One level — in a sequence stretching back to April 2021.

J: Frankie Dettori

T: Marcel Weiss

Prescott, 74, has a reputation as one of the sport's shrewdest planners thanks to horses such as Spindrifter, who won a then record 13 races as a two-year-old in 1990, and Masafi, who landed seven wins in 18 days in 2004, but Alpinis-

Prescott had resisted the temptation to run the mare in last year's Arc and said: 'It is the best day of my racing life. I always thought it was when I got a winner on my first

ride when I was 16

ta's effort tops the lot.

when it supposedly had no chance. I thought that was the best 10 minutes of my life, but this is every bit as good.

'Alpinista has improved every single run in the last two years. She has been faultless and the jockey

> has also been faultless. 'The race went like a dream. If she hadn't been mine, I would have thought she was going to win every inch of the

Pleased as punch: **Jockey Morris** celebrates his victory

way, but when it is

your own it is a nightmare. It's hard to imagine a better day if you are a racehorse trainer.

Morris, 33, has now won eight group races but conceded he had to hold back tears after his victory. Riding in his first Arc. Morris said: 'In the last week or so I must have watched the last 25 Arcs and I have never seen any jockey sitting still at the furlong pole. Alpinista is extremely special.'

The early pace was set by Japan's Titleholder, who faded into 11th, four places behind Aidan O'Brien's Luxembourg, who never threatened.

Christophe Soumillon achieving an unpopular win, 48 hours after he had appalled the racing world by elbowing fellow rider Rossa Ryan out of the saddle. almost came off as his mount Vadeni powered into second. The

scrutiny Soumillon has been under and his near-miss seemed to overcome the 10-time French champion jockey and he was in tears afterwards.

Frankie Dettori, chasing a seventh Arc win, reckoned thirdplaced Torquator Tasso's wide draw in stall 18 had not helped but conceded that the first two were 'too strong'. The consolation prize for Dettori was victory on Ralph Beckett's Kinross in the Prix de la Foret.

Hollie Doyle also won her first race at the Arc meeting when landing the Prix de l'Abbaye on The Platinum Queen.

But yesterday was all about entertaining storyteller Prescott, one of the keenest students of the sport's history. The trainer, who says he would have liked to be a criminal barrister had he not gone into racing, has a wide range

of interests including boxing, films and bullfighting.

Mail, Monday, October 3, 2022

By coincidence Alpinista, who could now go for the Japan Cup in November, became the first five-year-old mare to win the Arc since Corrida in 1937. Corrida is what the Spanish call a bullfight.

Prescott has needed to fend off questions about retirement in recent years and conceded that Alpinista's win might be bad news for long-time assistant William Butler, who will eventually take over his stable.

Prescott said: 'Poor William will view this win with mixed emotions. It will probably keep me tottering on a bit longer.'

Butler will no doubt forgive the boss, who once said he would swim the Channel if he thought he could win the Arc. Last night he probably walked across it to return to his beloved Newmarket.

THE Minnesota Vikings won a back-and-forth NFL thriller, beating the New Orleans Saints 28-25 at Tottenham Hotspur Stadium. Greg Joseph put the Vikings ahead with his fifth field goal with 24 seconds remaining. Up stepped Saints' Wil Lutz — who had earlier converted from 60 yards — but his 61-yard kick hit both the left upright and the crossbar as time expired.

Leigh back in Super League

LEIGH will return to the Super League after seeing off the brave run of Batley in the Championship Grand Final in front of 7,233 fans at Leigh Sports Village. The Centurions had won all but one of their 27 matches of the regular season and had too much for part-time Batley in a 44-12 victory.

MATRILETICS LONDON MARATHON Men's Elite: 1 A Kipruto (Ken) 2h 4m 39s. Women's Elite: 1 Y Yehualaw (Eth) 2h 17m 26s.

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ATP TEL AVIV WATERGEN OPEN (Tel Aviv, Israel) — Men's Final: (1) N Djokovic (Ser) bt (2) M Olic (Cro) 6-3 6-4. WTA TALL INN OPEN (Tallinn, Estonia) Women's Final: (7) B Kreicikova.

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SPORTS AGENDA



MIKE KEEGAN

JOTA'S STRONG BUILD-UP PLAY

DEFENDERS may soon struggle to knock Liverpool's Diogo Jota off the ball — with the Portuguese looking to build TWO gyms at his new pad.

The striker has pitched up in the old home of former Everton manager Carlo Ancelotti and wants to add an extension complete with dressing room, swimming pool, steam room, whirlpool bath, cinema room, snug and two work-out areas.

Like the ex-Toffees boss, Jota, 25, is believed to be renting the £2million luxury five-bed pad. There have been no objections to the plans from his neighbours, who include former Liverpool players Steven Gerrard and Robbie Fowler.

FORMER Liverpool Mayor Joe Anderson stuck the boot into his beloved Everton following the Manchester derby, recalling that on a 2018 visit to Finch Farm — the Toffees' training ground — he had watched a video of an 18-year-old Erling Haaland but was told by then chief executive Robert Elstone that at £7m he was too expensive. Agenda understands that at one point Everton were told £5m would be enough to prise the striker who hit a hat-trick for Manchester City against United yesterday — from Norwegian club Molde. The move was not sanctioned because the fee was deemed too much for a player who would have joined the Under 23s.

EFL chairman Rick Parry will this week host a dinner for Tory MPs at the Conservative Party conference. It is likely that the prospect of an independent regulator for football will be among the topics of conversation in Birmingham.

The EFL hope a regulator would order the Premier League to pay considerably more to those further down the pyramid than the current offering. Insiders have disclosed that they are also attempting to get the PFA on board with their cause.

The EFL are yet to receive any proposals from the Premier League regarding redistribution.

CRICKET'S hopes of getting an improbable place in the 2028
Los Angeles Olympics will hinge on the two-hour meeting each short-listed sport has with the organisers. It is bound to be a slick presentation, with plenty of funds behind the campaign. However, the sense is that cricket's plans will be stumped quite quickly if baseball (also competing for a place) secures an agreement with the Major League to allow their top stars can compete at the Games.



MARSCH PICK-UP FOR RHINOS

LEEDS RHINOS coach Rohan Smith was quick to find a shoulder to cry on following the Super League club's Grand Final defeat by St Helens. The Australian headed over to Leeds United's training ground on Friday, where he was entertained by the Premier League side's manager Jesse Marsch. Smith, who also did some filming for the forthcoming rugby league World Cup, took in Marsch's session before speaking at length to the affable American.

RUGBY LEAGUE is a sport that has often been hampered by those in charge and it would appear the morons running it continue to harm its progress. With just two weeks until the World Cup kick-off, hosts England are yet to attract additional shorts sponsors to Ronseal and are offering the opportunity for £40,000 via third parties and a frantic ring-around. The situation is all the more embarrassing given they have had even longer than

expected to find commercial partners because the tournament was delayed by a year. Insiders say announcements are expected this week.

Meanwhile, bungling RFL chief executive Ralph Rimmer was forced to make a grovelling apology last week after being caught mocking the Fiji squad. Incredibly, a video of Rimmer making a crass comment remained on the sport's website 48 hours after the

story broke in the national media.

BOLTON'S bid to host a Ryder Cup will this week go before a key Government inquiry. Developers Peel L&P were left stunned when their ambitious £250million plans to turn historic Hulton Park, currently closed to the public, into a Championship golf course were rejected by councillors in the town amid a NIMBY backlash. Revised plans will this week be the subject of a two-day hearing and, should the council's decision be overturned, it would reinforce the aim to host the sport's biggest tournament. Bolton remains one of only two English venues short-listed by UK Sport and Ryder Cup Europe to stage the 2031 version of golf's greatest rivalry. The revised plans include an academy which officials believe will serve as a centre of excellence for young golfers in the North-West.

BRITISH CYCLING have appointed their first external affairs director. With an eye on increasing their influence, they will today announce that Caroline Julian, a former director of policy and public affairs, will become the first person to take the role. Julian will be tasked with leading relations with the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, and other Government departments. The keen cyclist previously worked at the ResPublica think tank.

A STATUE to honour a footballer who should have been the first black man to play for England is to be unveiled on Friday.

Following a crowdfunding campaign which sailed past its £100,000 target, Plymouth Argyle legend Jack Leslie will be honoured outside Home Park

Leslie was picked for England in 1925 but did not subsequently make the squad — with the story being that FA board members pulled the invite when they realised the colour of his skin.

MO FARAH, Eilish McColgan and Brigid Kosgei were not the only withdrawals from this year's London Marathon. Many of those present to report on the event were horrified to find organisers had done away with the traditional bacon rolls and pastries for the press pack. Meanwhile, those who cover Manchester United were left furning when they booked Tuesday flights to Cyprus for this week's Europa League match on Thursday, only to be told by the club that they had obtained permission from UEFA to stage their pre-match press conference in Manchester — on Tuesday. United's stance is that they had little option given the late arrival of their flight and add that no guarantees were given that the event would be in Cyprus.

WREXHAM'S Hollywood owners Ryan Reynolds (below) and Rob McElhenney may have

hoped the episode of their Disney+ series on hooligans at the National League club would have deterred fans from getting involved in trouble. That did not appear to be the case before and after the Welsh



side's victory over Oldham on Saturday. The clubs have history and footage of street brawls well away from the stadium, involving dozens of fans from each side, were posted on social media.

THERE is mounting concern among the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic organising committee over the prospect of the 2030 Winter Games ending up in Salt Lake City. The two other cities in contention, Sapporo and Vancouver, have seen their chances dwindle in recent weeks. Sapporo's hopes have been severely dented by a widening Olympic corruption scandal around Tokyo 2020, while Vancouver have seen their odds lengthen owing to strong local opposition and the fact that Toronto is likely to bid for the 2036 Olympics.

LA28 officials are concerned that, should Salt Lake City secure the 2030 Winter Games, the difficult task of reaching LA's sponsorship targets in the recession-hit US market will become nigh-on impossible, with their Utah rival fishing from the same pond at the same time.

Rory comes up just short again

ANOTHER strong week for Rory McIlroy and another near miss at St Andrews, where he came up two strokes shy of New Zealand's Ryan Fox at the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.

In what has become a recurring theme in recent weeks, the Northern Irishman delivered fine golf to reach 13 under, but not quite enough to take the title.

His fourth-placed finish, secured via a closing 66, followed the same result in Italy a fortnight ago and second at the BMW PGA Championship a week prior to that. Coming after his £15million jackpot at the Tour Championships in the US, McIlroy might

By RIATH AL-SAMARRAI

feel satisfaction but also a sense of what might have been.

Golf is rarely so simple, and victory from eight shots back of overnight leader Richard Mansell going into yesterday's final round would have been ambitious. He estimated he would have needed a 64 to get close and was tracking in the right direction with six birdies in 13 holes. But his chances ended with a bogey at 17 on the same course where he was third in the Open in July.

McIlroy said: I played well again

today. It was a bit of a struggle on the way in. I came up two or three short of my target in the end.'

Mansell was four clear going into the final round but the Englishman wilted with a 76.

Fox shot 68 for his second DP World Tour win of the season. He finished second in the Dunhill team event in 2021 with the late Shane Warne and said: 'To be honest the only person I can think of at the moment is Warne. It's a shame he's not here.'

ENGLAND'S Charley Hull fired eight birdies in a final-round 64 to claim her first LPGA tour victory for six years in the Ascendant tournament in Texas.

THA HITTE

FORMER England cricketers Janet Tedstone and Linda Burnley will complete a fine hat-trick when the Daily Mail Foursomes finals starts today. The Yorkshire stalwarts, from Willow Valley, are gearing up for a third appearance in the showpiece of the world's largest amateur golf tournament when they tee up at Marriott St Pierre. Tedstone, who played 12 Tests and 38 one-day internationals for England, and Burnley, who was a wicketkeeper for Yorkshire and also played in an ODI, were semi-finalists in 2010 and reached the last 16 in 2019. The duo battled through seven knockout rounds to get back to

Yorkshire ladies bowl up for glory

Chepstow and a delighted Burnley, 59, said: 'Our sporting background does help. There is a strong desire to take every game as far as we can.' Just 16 women's and men's teams have made it to south Wales from an entry of more than 3,000 pairs and Burnley stressed: 'We know what to expect now. The first time we pulled up and saw all the banners, it was like turning up at a pro tournament and it got the butterflies going The main thing is that we enjoy the atmosphere and hopefully play some good golf as well.'

CARA SLOMAN

No changing Matson's mind as Quins stop the rot in style



ALEX BYWATER at Twickenham Stoop

NORTHAMPTON spent most of yesterday afternoon at Twickenham Stoop dropping the ball. By the time they'd finally remembered how to string consecutive phases together and eradicated their attacking mistakes, it was too little, too late. Harlequins head coach Tabai Matson reinforced his side's commitment to an entertaining style ahead of this game, but it didn't matter how they played as the Saints gave them more than a helping hand.

The visitors made 11 handling errors in the first half alone and butchered at least four prime try-scoring opportunities. It took until the final quarter for them to click into gear. When they did, Phil Dowson's side came roaring back to score through Tommy Freeman, George Furbank and Tom James. Northampton pushed hard for a winning score at the death. But unlike last Sunday at Exeter, Harlequins held on. 'It's a brutal industry and

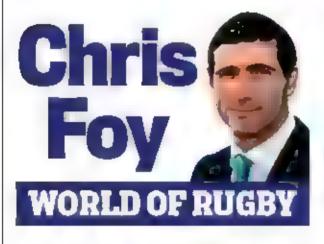
winning or losing does have an impact on you as a head coach,' said Matson. 'Whether I'm here or not, this club is convinced exciting rugby can be successful. At times you wonder why you are in this industry.' Northampton director of rugby Dowson said: 'We let them off the hook. We have to be better at turning pressure into points. 'We gave ourselves a mountain to climb. Offloading is a big part of our game but when to throw them is key.'

For all Saints' what-if moments, it was Harlequins who deserved to win this nine-try thriller. 'We are the capital's entertainers,' screamed the stadium announcer before kick-off and his team soon got to work as Jack Musk and Lennox Anyanwu scored two tries in as many minutes. Consecutive Premiership defeats by Saracens and Exeter had given Matson's men pause for thought over their expansive game plan, but their

head coach and star man Marcus Smith are not for turning. Harlequins went to the break 21-10 up after Luke Northmore grabbed their third. Northampton's mistakes were constant. Fraser Dingwall was dispossessed for Anyanwu's try, Alex Mitchell dawdled and was tackled, Emmanuel lyogun spilled possession and Rory Hutchinson was bundled into touch. Captain Lewis Ludlam did score, but Northampton's misery was summed up by the

usually perfect Dan Biggar dropping the simplest of passes before the break. After Musk's driven-over second, Freeman kept things interesting with his eighth successive Premiership try. equalling Mark Cueto's record. But Saints' Alex Coles spilled the ball almost on the try-line and Ludiam had a score ruled out for double movement. Cadan Murley's acrobatic finish for Quins' fifth meant Saints' late riposte was irrelevant.





HERE to start? Well, it is safe to say that the Worcester owners' astonishing, disgraceful attempt to pass the buck has confirmed their status as cowboys and

charlatans.

The statement issued by Colin Goldring and Jason Whittingham on Friday evening beggared belief. With the club teetering on a cliff edge as a result of their mismanagement, they tried to deflect the blame on to players and supporters. In a masterpiece of passiveaggressive fantasy fiction, the pair claimed squad members had refused to take pay cuts and fans hadn't turned up in sufficient numbers to keep the club afloat.

It was the lowest point yet in a tawdry saga and provoked justifiable outrage. Social media erupted with a mass backlash, but there was dark humour, too. When many critics raged that the owners dare not show their faces in Worcester, others noted that Goldring and Whittingham prefer to stay far away, in Essex.

They have been absent without leave

Sname on these charlatan owners

Warriors run by chancers and cowboys

amid the collapse of the club. Staff haven't seen them. They've barely heard from them, either. Instead of providing leadership at a time of crisis, they have been ducking and diving. All those who care deeply deserve so much better.

Let's cut to the chase: the whole thing appears a hoax. These owners have not had any intention to protect the interests of the Warriors; they've sought to slice and dice it all up for their selfish ends. Within their fictional statement, they dared to make a claim about 'the significant personal funds we put into the club'.

Unless they have kept receipts to prove it, that is news to anyone with knowledge of financial matters at Sixways. The consensus view is that Goldring and Whittingham have squandered

Disgraceful: DWITELS Whittingham (left) and Goldring

other people's money, whether from the dying Cecil Duckworth or the Covid relief fund managed by Sport England. They are universally regarded as chancers.

Ignore their protestations and pay heed to comments made by Marco Mama, the back-rower who retired last year after serving Worcester with distinction. He wrote: 'The rugby world is now understanding the characters in charge at Worcester Warriors.

'This is a reality that many within the organisation have been aware of for some time. The lies, manipulation and selfishness have been present throughout. Players and staff have swallowed the shenanigans and allowed them to get away with it.'

Mama went on to add: 'The mistake was allowing people of this nature to step foot in a club built by one man's vision (Duckworth) for the people of Worcester."

Those words should hit home in English rugby's corridors of power. It is essential that the RFU and Premiership Rugby recognise how they failed to spot trouble under their noses.

Both bodies must establish a far more stringent system to assess owners and their funding plans. The sport cannot afford to be hoodwinked so

easily again. The authorities here should accept the observations made in the Mail on Sunday by Simon Gillham, president of French club Brive, who said: 'There are strict financial controls in place here and we have total transparency with the audit police of the league.

'You can't start a season if you don't have your budget in place. You can't pretend you've got money that you don't have. In France, there's no way you could see a club going under in the middle of the season.'

Here, that pretence has been possible and Worcester look destined to go under. This can't be allowed to happen again. Cowboys and charlatans cannot be permitted to take control of cherished rugby institutions. The likes of Goldring and Whittingham must be exposed and barred.

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THE LAST WORD

HERE'S hoping that the

Kiwi public flock to the women's World Cup which begins on Saturday in Auckland, and take advantage of a bargain on their doorstep. There are still large numbers of tickets available for the opening day triple-header at Eden Park: France v South Africa followed by England v Fiji, before hosts New Zealand take on Australia, with a Rita Ora concert in the halftime interval. Not a bad line-up for £20 per adult. And there's still plenty of availability for finals day - the 'bronze' game followed by the grand decider - for £15 a head. Not only do the New Zealand team need as much home help as possible to threaten favourites England, the event needs to maintain its positive growth, which would serve as an antidote to some of the gloom in the men's game. The stark fact for Kiwi oval-ball enthusiasts is the male global showpiece is unlikely to return to their shores as it has outgrown New Zealand's limited infrastructure, so the public must embrace the women's tussle for supremacy.

SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX 6

Lewis's sorry mess!

Hamilton apology after he blows it... and Max blunders too



JONATHAN McEVOY In Singapore

EWIS HAMILTON made a mid-race apology to his team for one of two uncharacteristic errors that blighted his Singapore Grand Prix, itself a procession lit up by the occasional spark.

In terms of the title mathematics, it left Max Verstappen, who finished seventh, 104 points ahead of his nearest nominal pursuer Charles Leclerc, runner-up on the night, with four races remaining, starting in Suzuka, Japan, on Sunday. Verstappen's team-mate Sergio Perez, the excellent race winner, lies 106 back.

So Max, the performer of the season by head and shoulders, will win his second title if he triumphs at the weekend and notches the fastest lap, no matter what the rest can achieve in his wake.

Actually, neither of the world's most famous drivers, Hamilton nor Verstappen, had a dream night's work at Marina Bay. The Briton started third, slipped down to fourth off the line, and then twice fell off the racing line and finished ninth.

On the first of those occasions, 33 laps into the intended 61 laps before the two-hour guillotine

ended proceedings a few miles early, he smashed into the wall after carrying too much speed as he harried Ferrari's Carlos Sainz for third.

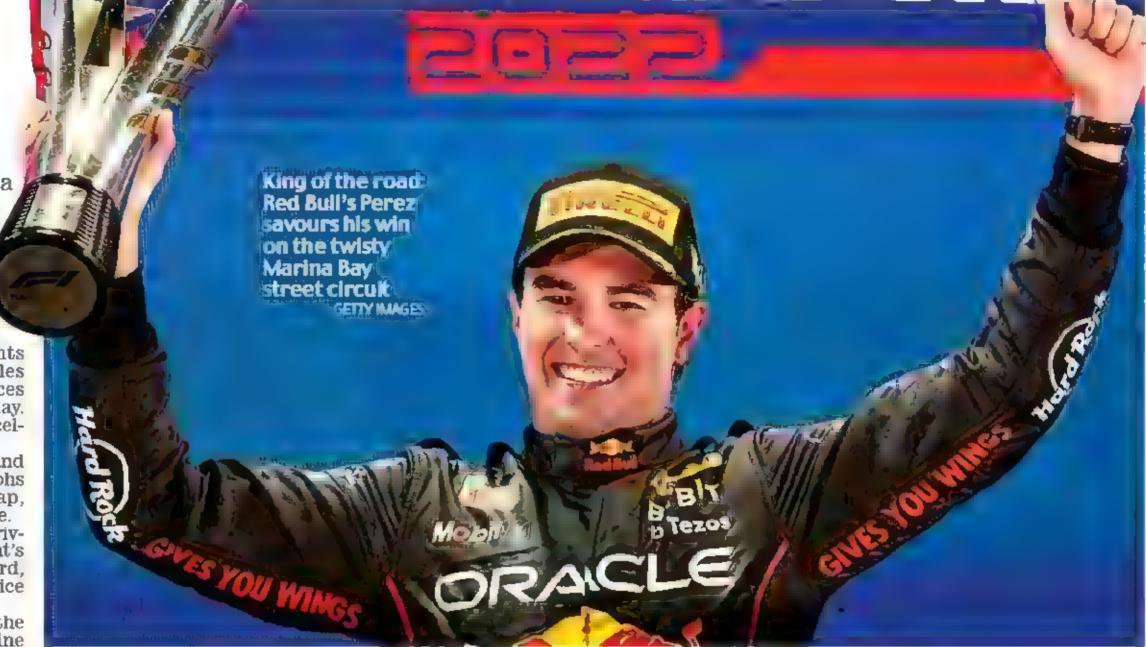
He broke the advertising hoarding, reversed out, fell down a place and limped to the pits, for his crew to lick collective wounds 'I'm so sorry about that guys. I f**** it up big time,' said the seven-time world champion.

A mea culpa is not unheard of from Lewis's lips but it does run counter to the perceived usual direction of finger-pointing.

That mistake pushed him down a place to fifth and then into the pits for a new front wing after an hour's tedium stuck on Sainz's tale on a tight street track rendered slippery by rain that had fallen earlier. It was bouncing ankle high off the Tarmac and the race was delayed an hour and five minutes, which was a little longer than excitement demanded.

Hamilton's second off-line excursion occurred in the final throes of the humid night as Verstappen, whose travails we shall return to, was close behind him. The Briton was attempting to pass Aston Martin's Sebastian Vettel, but missed the corner and let Verstappen through.

In truth, it was a miserable day for Mercedes. Less said about George Russell the better. One sentence on his gloom will suffice: he endured probably his worst



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weekend with the team in qualifying 11th, starting in the pit lane after engine changes, before clipping Alfa Romeo's Valtteri Bottas and Haas's Mick Schumacher as he struggled for his usual surefootedness to finish 14th and last of the evening's survivors. Just a little hurrah for Russell setting the fastest lap as events closed.

As for Verstappen, who needed to win and Leclerc and Perez to falter badly to leave Singapore with the trophy for a second year, his ill-fate was all but sealed on Saturday night, when he was told to abort his final qualifying lap in order to meet the requirement to have a litre of fuel on board for scrutineering.

He was flying at the time, pole at his mercy. Disbelieving, he turned the air blue and left the track ASAP. No debrief. Too angry for that. As he reflected of his 'really terrible' weekend: 'It started with yesterday's big f***
up. I wasn't making a statement
by leaving the track when I did. It
was how I felt. I just wouldn't
have been much use.'

Verstappen slipped from eighth to 12th after his ant-stall inexplicably kicked in on the grid. Having climbed to fifth by lap 40, by when the field had finally switched from intermediate tyres to slicks on a slow-drying surface, he saw ahead of him McLaren's Lando Norris (who went on to finish fourth, a place behind Sainz). Verstappen went charging adventurously into Turn 7 and ended off the road in a rubbery plume of white smoke

rubbery plume of white smoke.

He said: 'I completely bottomed out as soon as I hit the brakes. I went alongside Lando and it is a little bumpy off line. I massively locked up both wheels and had a flat spot, so I had to box again.'

As for Perez, he produced an unremitting display from the moment he beat pole-sitter Leclerc to the first corner. He survived a stewards' inquiry for twice falling more than 10 lengths behind the safety car, the five-second penalty meted out at 1.45am local time not enough to deny him a deserved triumph.

Verstappen: Our silly rivals should shut it

MAX VERSTAPPEN has told other teams to 'keep their mouths shut' rather than accuse Red Bull of breaching Formula One's budget cap The FIA are not due to announce

whether any team have exceeded the £114million spending limit until Wednesday, but Mercedes and Ferrari have implied that their bitter rivals have done so. Red Bull team principal Christian Horner has threatened to start legal proceedings over the accusations, insisting the remarks are 'defamatory' and 'inaccurate'. He said last night he was 'not nervous at all' as he awaits the results of the FIA's financial auditing

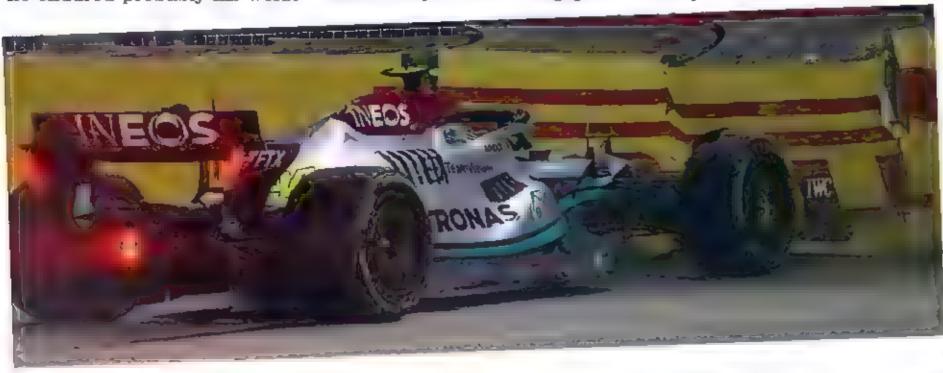
Verstappen was asked if he was content the allegations would not present a problem. 'With what I hear from the team, yes,' he said. 'Other teams talk about it while they have no information so I find that a bit silly. Just keep

your mouths shut.'
Any team found in breach of the cost cap could face punishments ranging from a reprimand to the docking of drivers' and constructors' points.

But Horner added: 'We will consider all our options. It was totally unacceptable to make an unfounded allegation and on the basis of what? Where is this source of information? It was a confidential submission. I have no idea of the compliance of any of our rivals.

'We need to complete the entire process. These are brand-new regulations which are highly complicated. And, of course, there are different interpretations. So it will be interesting to see how this is applied.'

JONATHAN McEVOY



Running out of road: Hamilton hits the barriers before reversing out to finish ninth

an semis Figamolio DEADING ENGINEER

Series win fuels dream of glory Down Under

NGLAND jet off to Australia today after emphatically proving themselves tournament-ready in the winner-takes-all finale to their epic Pakistan tour.

Talk within the tourists' camp in the build-up to the seventh and final match had been of the need to test themselves in knockout-style scenarios.

And they met that test with nous and nerve to complete a 4-3 series win, as Dawid Malan's unbeaten 78 plus an innings of 46 not out from Harry Brook helped set a 210-run target and challenged Pakistan to complete what would have been their record chase.

Any concerns England would be travelling to the World Cup without another tick in the win column were then dispelled inside the first couple of overs as Pakistan's batting bankers Babar Azam and Mohammad Rizwan fell to the new ball.

"That was very pleasing," said England captain Moeen Ali, following the 67-run win. 'We'll look back and think if we were really on it, we would have won this series 6-1, but we're really happy that we've won it and go to Australia in a good position.

'If you look at the last two games, both must-win, going into a World Cup that's really important — the pressure to perform



RICHARD GIBSON in Lahore

was huge. I don't think we're the favourites for the World Cup. If I'm honest, I don't feel that at all. But I know we're a very danger-ous team to play and a lot of teams will fear playing us.'

Malan had endured an underwhelming tour, but made the most of a couple of lives and put his part in the run out of Phil Salt behind him to render the loss of the toss insignificant.

The left-hander had come to the crease in the fifth over when England's rollicking start was checked by Mohammad Hasnain pinning Alex Hales leg before.

Within two balls, England were 39 for two after a moment of high farce accounted for Salt, Pakistan's slayer in another one-sided result 48 hours earlier

This time Salt had taken 20 off a dozen deliveries when he bolted down the pitch in response to the ball squeezing off Malan's pads into open space behind square

It left both players at the same end and Salt with a forlorn task of beating Shadab Khan's throw, No more than a lob, what it lacked in power it made up for in accuracy.
As is their wont, however, Eng-

land attacked from their low ebb, Malan and Ben Duckett countering with a stand of 62 in five overs,

the latter once again showing his disdain for Pakistan's spin before departing to a moment of brilliance by Rizwan.

If Salt's run out had been comical, this one was clinical as Rizwan clawed an inside edge that bounced down the leg-side and broke the wicket with a swish of his arm, Duckett's momentum down the pitch doing for him.

Malan was put down on 29 at cover by Babar off Iftikhar Ahmed's round-arm spin soon afterwards and again on 62 when Mohammad Wasim floored a steepler at midwicket at the death. And he made the Pakistanis

pay in tandem with his Yorkshire colleague Brook, with whom he shared an unbroken century stand.

Both were struck blows to their person by the recalled Hasnain during a brief Pakistan mid-innings riposte that saw only eight taken from two overs.

But Pakistan's lacklustre display in the field proved their downfall. Babar dropped his second catch of the night, saving Brook, who drove and clipped four sixes while Malan went through the gears to cruise beyond a 34-ball 50.

England had resisted the temptation to re-deploy Mark Wood, saving his express pace for Australian pitches, and for once they didn't miss his potency in the power play.

From the fifth ball of the innings, Babar hit Chris Woakes straight to short extra cover and Pakistan were five for two when Rizwan had his off stump pinned back by Reece Topley.

There was no coming back from that, although as has been the case throughout the series, it did not stop a home crowd seeking a miracle, chanting for six specialist Asif Ali. Those chants increased in volume in line with a spiralling run rate

DAWID MALAN scored

140 runs in the three

T20ls in Lahore as he

found form towards the

end of the series - he'd

scored just 34 in

his three innings

in Karachi.

teens when he came to the crease at 86 for four and stood at over 20 when he hooked Woakes — who finished with three for 26 in just his second game back from a sixmonth injury lay-off

square leg. There was still more than a quarter of the innings remaining but another full house had witnessed enough as hundreds streamed for the exits — and England turned their

thoughts to another

challenge Down Under.

that was in the high straight to deep

Brook and Wood boost World Cup bid as

AFTER sealing the series win, England head to the T20 World Cup with things becoming clearer in terms of fitness and form. Here, Sportsmail addresses the main issues that have developed during this tour of Pakistan...

JOS BUTTLER SAID HE WOULD PLAY TWO MATCHES AT BEST, THEN DIDN'T APPEAR AT ALL. SHOULD WE BE WORRIED?

NO. It has simply been a case of the captain erring on the side of caution as he recovers from a calf injury. Buttler has batted and kept wicket without any obvious discomfort and it is putting the muscle under stress in the process of sprinting, twisting and turning under match-pressure scrutiny that he and the medical staff are wary of. Hence, they have worked on the theory that it's better to be picked a game too late than one too early and held him back until the first of three matches against Australia.

SO, BUTTLER WILL OPEN WITH ALEX HALES WHEN **ENGLAND BEGIN THEIR WORLD CUP AGAINST AFGHANISTAN?**

THAT was the plan after Jonny Bairstow's freakish injury opened the door for an international return that Hales celebrated with a 50 on opening night. And given the consistency of selection across England teams these days, that remains the likeliest

scenario. But Phil Salt outperformed him overall — striking at 157 and producing the most destructive innings of the series, the unbeaten 88 off 41 balls that set up last night's decider. Both have plenty of experience of Australian conditions at the Big Bash too. Hales' fielding needs attention

 he dropped three catches, all of which should really have been taken

BUT HARRY BROOK HAS NAILED DOWN HIS PLACE?

ABSOLUTELY. The Yorkshireman appears to have made the No5 spot his own, coming in after Dawid Malan and the returning Ben Stokes and before two

finishers in Moeen Ali and Liam Livingstone. England failed to make the most of Brook's hot form in the summer but should do so now. He has shown not only a 360° game but the ability to second guess bowlers' plans and manipulate the field

HOW IS THE BOWLING ATTACK SHAPING UP?

THE return of Mark Wood tearing in and hitting the mid-90s in terms of pace was arguably the most pleasing sight of the trip and his inclusion provides the point of difference Figures of 8-0-44-6 did not flatter him. He might not be risked in every game at the World Cup but they will want him for the big ones. That will mean rotating players, as England have done here. Although they got away with it on occasion, David Willey and Sam Curran are two samey to play in the same XI. Chris Jordan and



SCOREBOARD SEVENTH TWENTY20

INTERNATIONAL

Pakistan v England

LAHORE: Pakistan won the toss, England best Pakistan by 67 runs. England win the series 4-3. IP Salt run out

Hales lbw b Hasnain. 18 (13b) 78 (47b) D Malan not out... B Duckett run out 30 (19b 46 (29b) Extras (b4, lb3, w10) Total (3 wkts 20 overs).

Fall: 39 39, 101 Bowling: Mohammad Nawaz 1-0-12-0, Mohammad Hasnam 4-0-32-1, Mohammad Wasim 4-0-61-0, Hans Hauf 4-0-24-0, Shadab Khan 3-0-39-0, Iftikhar Ahmed

Mohammad Rizwan b Topley . Babar Azam c Brook b Woakes Shan Masood c Reshid b Woakes Iftikhar Ahmed c Salt b Winey Khushdil Shah c Salt b Rashid 56 (43b) 19 (16b) 27 (25b ...7 (9b) Haris Rauf not out. Michammad Heenain not out Extras (lb3, w5)

Total (8 wkts 20 overs). Fall: 5. 5, 33, 86, 99, 125, 135, 135, Bowling: Woakes 4-0-26-3, Topley 4-0-34-1 Wiley 4-0-22-2, Rashd 4-0-25-1, Ali 1-0-5-0, S Curran



Trophy time: Sam Curran, Will Jacks and Reece Topley

HOW THEY EDGED THE SERIES 4-3...

1st T20, Karachi: Eng by 6 wkts

2nd T20, Karachi: Pak by 10 wkts 3rd T20, Karachl: Eng by 63 runs

4th T20, Karachi: Pak by 3 runs 5th T20, Lahore: Pak by 6 runs

6th T20, Lahore: Eng by 8 wkts 7th T20, Lahore: Eng by 67 runs

MOHAMMAD RIZWAN and Babar Azam scored 601 runs in the series.

The rest of their side made 489. HARRY BROOK was England's top man

— his 238 runs came

at 79 and a strike rate of 163.

Salt piles on pressure

Chris Woakes appear to be another headto-head in selection terms while Reece Topley's height will make him a handful with the new ball on Australian pitches. Topley is also a death-overs option.

ADIL RASHID IS ONE OF THE FIRST NAMES ON THE TEAM SHEET, SHOULD HE BE?

YES. The Yorkshire leg-spinner (right) has been an essential component of this team, providing control and wicket-taking threat through the middle of an innings. However, England will need him to rediscover his top form after a wicketless run of three matches versus Pakistan - the longest of his Twenty20

international career. RICHARD GIBSON



ENGLAND'S STRONGEST WORLD CUP TEAM

MOEEN BUTTLER (capt, wkt) LIVINGSTONE HALES

MALAN

STOKES

JORDAN **RASHID** WOOD **TOPLEY**

Yehualaw wins after tripping on a speed bump!

By RIATH AL-SAMARRAI Athletics Correspondent on The Mall

AFTER the fall came the rise. Not many athletes can climb up

from a face-plant to win the London Marathon but Yalemzerf Yehualaw is rapidly emerging as a runner who does not conform to the usual standards. The Ethiopian's victory across

two hours, 17 minutes and 26 seconds on Sunday was staggering, both in her revival from tumbling over a speed bump six miles from the tape, and also in what it heralded, with the 23-year-old

becoming the youngest winner of this race in history.

That it was only her second ever marathon, six months after winning her first in Hamburg, would indicate she has a better shot than most in her stated ambition of one day breaking the 2:14.04 world record of Brigid Kosgei.

'I had a dream to be a professional athlete and to run in these races,' she said. T am so happy to win on my first time in London. London people were shouting a lot and it inspired me.

'I am thinking of the longer plan I have that I would like to break

the world record.' Kosgei, the dominant Kenyan athlete, was among the many leading names who withdrew injured ahead of this race, which cleared a sizeable

hurdle for Yehualaw.

However, another presented itself after 20 miles, when she lost around 25metres on the leading group of eight when she fell hard over the speed bump.

'I hurt my hip and knee,' she said, before a member of her team confirmed she bumped her head as well. Despite that setback, she reeled the pack in and by the 24th mile it had become a two-woman showdown with the defending champion Joyciline Jepkosgei.

That was when Yehualaw ran a

Glory: Yehualaw wins after falling with just six miles **left** GETTY IMAGES storming mile of four minutes and

43 seconds, the quickest ever recorded in a women's marathon, and left the Kenyan in her wake. Her time was the third fastest in the 42 years of the race.

The men's event was won by Amos Kipruto in 2:04.39 after breaking three miles from home. The leading British runner was ninth-placed Weynay Ghebresilasie, who ran for Eritrea at London 2012 before seeking asylum here.

The 28-year-old said: Before the 2012 Olympics my country was not in a good situation, that's why I stayed in Britain. I was in Sunderland and then moved to Birmingham and I'm in Scotland now.

'My plan is to run at the World Championships and the Paris Olympics for Great Britain.

Meanwhile, Eilish McColgan, who pulled out because of blood sugar issues that are exacerbated over the marathon distance, set a new European 10km road with 30:18 at the Great Scottish Run.

Keane: It's embarrassing

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players' point of view, they really should be embarrassed. You can't go in at haif-time in a derby 4-0 down, it's hugely embarrassing.

'As brilliant as City were, United were desperate. Particularly in midfield. Defensively all over the shop. Even the consolations, they scored a few goals but the game was over, City had switched off.' Ten Hag, who also oversaw a humbling 4-0 defeat at Brentford in the second game of the season, claimed his squad did not have the correct mindset to disrupt City in a stinging rebuke of the players.

The Outchman added that they had let down the club's fans, hundreds of whom left at half-time. 'It's quite simple, it's a lack of belief,' he said. 'When you don't believe on the pitch then you can't win games. That is unacceptable.

'We get undisciplined at following rules and you get hammered, that's happened today. For the first goal we won the ball and could have created a great chance but instead we

gave it away easily and then it was like a pack of cards. I criticised them, I told them. 'For me it was a surprise. We were not on the front foot, we were not brave on the ball and there were spaces to play. 'All the credit to City, but it's nothing to do with City, our performance was not good. In this moment I can't think about positives. We let our fans down, we let ourselves down and we are hugely disappointed.' Ten Hag also claimed he did not introduce Cristiano Ronaldo from the bench out of respect for the veteran. 'I wouldn't bring him in because of the respect for Cristiano, for his big career, and the other thing was the advantage I could bring on Martial. He needs the minutes.'







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IT'S DOUBLE TREBLE FOR CITY'S STARS

ERLING HAALAND and Phil Foden both scored hat-tricks for Man City against Man Utd. It's just the third time a team has had two hat-tricks in the same Premier League match:

May 2003: ARSENAL 6 Soton 1 Hat-tricks: Robert Pires and Jermaine Pennant

Nov 2019: Soton O LEICESTER 9 Hat-tricks: Ayoze Perez. and Jamie Vardy

Oct 2022: MAN CITY 6 Man Utd 3 Hat-tricks: ERLING HAALAND and PHIL FODEN

HAA-TRICK!

HAALAND has scored three Premier League hat-tricks already — as many as Cristiano Ronaldo, Frank Lampard and Jamie Vardy... and he's only played eight games! Here are the five fastest players to reach three Premier League trebles:

GAMES

ERLING HAALAND	8
Michael Owen	48
Ruud van Nistelrooy	59
Fernando Torres	64
Andy Cole	65

HAALAND'S three hat-tricks (in 56 days since his league debut) are as many as there were in the entire 2006-07 Premier League season.

WHATS IN A NAME?

5 SOUTHAMPTON set a new Premier League record against Everton as five players with double-barrelled surnames turned out. Can you name them? (answers below)

AWAY GOALS RULE!

100 HARRY KANE became the first player to score a century of away goals in the Premier League with his penalty at Arsenal on Saturday:

AWAY GOALS

H KANE 100 in 147 games 0.68 per game 94 in 243 games W Rooney 0.39 per game

87 in 219 games A Shearer 0.40 per game

F Lampard 85 in 305 games 0.28 per game

83 in 206 games Andy Cole 0.40 per game

KANE also became the leading goalscorer in London derbies in the Premier League, going past Arsenal legend Thierry Henry with his 44th goal.

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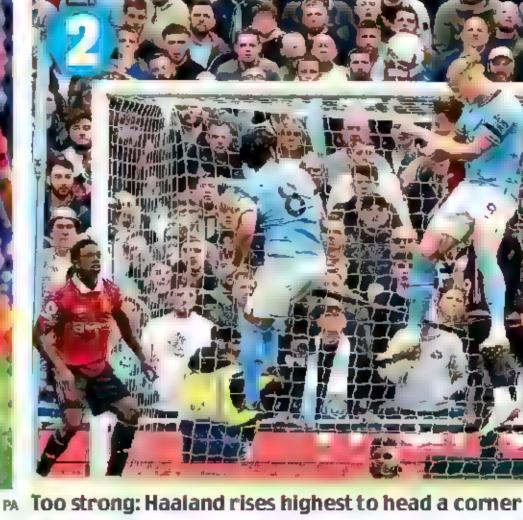


First blood: Foden sweeps home at the near post from Bernardo's cross



Net gain: Foden bursts forward to score from a Haaland assist







GETTY IMAGES Unstoppable: Haaland rattles in his third goal from

City so superior Hat-tricks for Haaland and Foden as

N 188 editions of the Manchester derby there have only been four hat-tricks scored by Manchester City players. And two of them came yesterday.

Erling Haaland and Phil Foden joined Francis Lee and Horace Barnes — in 1970 and 1921, no less in City's annals and this was certainly an event that will live long in the memory of all who were there, no matter on which side of the red and blue divide.

For the visitors it will have been as painful as it was joyful for the victors, who were so comprehensively superior that the 6-3 scoreline very much flattered Manchester United.

They were 4-0 down at half-time and all that stopped it becoming 10 was that the match was by then over and modern players need to conserve energy in this of all seasons. So City no longer floored the accelerator and United achieved a measure of respectability.

Unless you saw the game, of course. Witnesses will confirm that this was a battering not a battle royal and United look as far behind their neighbours as they have at any time since they were in

SAMUEL Chief Sports Writer at the Etihad Stadium MAN CITY Foden 8, 44, 73 Haaland 34, 37, 64 **MANUTD** Antony 56 Martial 84, 90 (pen)

MARTIN

separate divisions. As for Haaland and Foden, having entered the second half on two apiece, both got a third to confirm the gulf between these so-called rivals. Double hat-tricks are rare, just two previously in Premier League history. Jermaine Pennant and Robert Pires in a 6-1 victory for Arsenal over Southampton in May 2003, and Jamie Vardy and Ayoze Perez when Leicester won 9-0 at Southampton in October 2019.

Haaland and Foden are the first to deliver such punishment to a team that isn't Southampton. For Haaland, it is his third straight Premier League hat-trick at home

the modern era. Michael Owen was a truly prolific goalscorer, a teenage sensation. It took him 48 games to score three hat-tricks. Haaland is there in eight.

And he was first to his three here, too, his crowning goal coming after 64 minutes, following a quite lovely build up that involved the magnificent Kevin De Bruyne, Jack Grealish, De Bruyne again, before Sergio Perez — on for the injured Kyle Walker in another admirably front-foot move from Pep Guardiola - crossed for Haaland to finish first time, almost bursting the net in the process.

Eight minutes later, Haaland threaded the ball through to Foden who sprung a United offside trap that appeared to have been abandoned at the planning stage, before finishing smartly. At the end, all that was troubling City was how to share a match ball between two players. In the end, a second one was produced and everyone left happy.

Not just the players, either, There were times during the first half and it was all about those opening 45 minutes — when it was truly hard to keep from laughing. Not at United, but at the sheer audacity and exhilarating thrill of City in full flow. This was an incredible win for

— a feat never before performed in Guardiola, and it is hard to imagine any coach attempting a strategy so positive when faced with the loss of Rodri, his firstchoice defensive midfielder. To then see Guardiola's gameplan not just work but tear the opposition

apart was a euphoric experience. Guardiola challenged what is considered possible, certainly against elite opponents and bitter rivals. Many would be cautious Instead, he played United, a team on a run of four straight league wins, pretty much without a defensive shield. Having lost Rodri, Guardiola chose to replace him with...well, nobody really

Ilkay Gundogan hung in there, unless City were attacking, when he broke forward as hungrily as any forward. On the occasions when United had the ball he received help from full backs Walker and Joao Cancelo, and sometimes from De Bruyne or Bernardo Silva dropping deeper. Then the ball would be retrieved and — trumpet fanfare, charge.

And apologies if that makes City sound unsophisticated. They most certainly are not. The football is arguably the highest standard this country has seen from any club side. Yet there were times when they simply swarmed over United, their pace, their ambition, their



kick past De Gea



EPA Predatory: Haaland stretches out a leg to stab home De Bruyne's pass **GETTY IMAGES**



close range



GETTY IMAGES Phil your boots: Foden completes his treble from another Haaland pass

it defles logic Pep's men blow United away

physicality so utterly superior it defied logic. They should not be this much better. United have good players, too. Yet where were they? Diogo Dalot was booked after two minutes, Tyrell Malacia followed him after 24, and was removed at half-time — but with both United full backs on yellow cards, City didn't do anything as obvious as come down the wings.

They came through the middle, came down the flanks, their dead balls were a menace, it was as if they opened up offensive fronts in all areas. No wonder United appeared rattled.

Sir Alex Ferguson was the last of the club's managers to win his first league derby — in March 1987 — and the television cameras found him looking as miserable as hell in the directors' box. And while five consecutive United managers have lost first time out to City, it is hard to imagine any have felt the hot flush of embarrassment quite like Erik ten Hag at half-time here. United will have fancied their chances going into this. Their form is good, the Ten Hag regime has been winning plaudits - yet this was a humiliating dismantling.

It began when Dalot was booked for crudely taking out Grealish. That was the warning sign. Now he could not touch him again for 88 minutes. It already looked a matter of time before City led, and it was. A lovely exchange of passes ended with Silva cutting

the ball back for Foden after eight minutes. He shot first time and David de Gea did not even get the chance to move. The signs were ominous for

Much had been made of the disparity in height between United centre half Lisandro Martinez and Haaland and after 18 minutes, Martinez chose to pick on someone his own size. He kicked Grealish and Gundogan hit a post with the resulting free-kick. In the 31st minute, De Bruyne had a shot tipped over by De Gea. But it was all just postponing the inevitable: which was that Haaland would score

In the build up to De Bruyne's shot, United wanted the game stopped for an injury to Raphael Varane. The defender went off for treatment and, while this was happening, Haaland took advantage. Was Christian Eriksen really the man who was meant to pick up Haaland at corners? If so, Ten Hag needs his bumps felt.

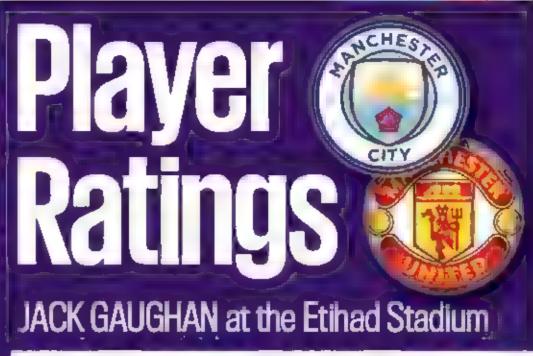
The striker lost him as easily as one might baffle a two-year-old in a game of hide and seek, and De Bruyne put the ball straight on his head from the corner. Haaland outjumped Scott McTominay and Malacia could not retrieve the ball before it crossed the line. The outcome was no longer in doubt, just the margin.

Which continued to grow. In the 38th minute, De Bruyne sped forward. A shot was on, but difficult. Feeding Foden on the overlap to his right was another option, and easy to achieve. De Bruyne tried Plan C - an incredible curling ball to Haaland, who had checked his run to stay onside and was haring towards the far post. De Bruyne had no right to find him, Haaland had no right to get there. But he slid and a giant boot meant he got the better of Varane, too. Soon after, the Frenchman left the field injured. He would have paid to get out of there by that stage.

And still City were not finished. De Bruyne and Haaland were a lethal set-up and finishing team, but this time they both combined in the service of Foden. De Bruyne put Haaland away and his cross fed Foden at the far post for his second of the game

Even when United got three back in the second half — a fabulous shot by Antony the best of them, before Anthony Martial scored late with a header and a penalty — the noise level did not drop. The city is ours,' they sung. And a lot more, no doubt, before the season is out.

DEBRUYNES MAGIC MOMENT HATLASTINAN PRINTS 4-9



MAN CITY

(4-2-3-1) TEAM AVERAGE 8.4 : (4-2-3-1) TEAM AVERAGE 5.0

EDERSON

Nothing he could do about Antony's strike. Provided caim to his back four with the ball.

KYLE WALKER

Another injury worry for City after he was forced off with a muscle issue before half-time.

Sec. MANUEL AKANJI

An almost flawless performance. He is proving to be a stellar signing. Very composed.

NATHAN AKE

Another smooth display and always shows good use of possession. A dependable deputy.

JOAO CANCELO

Not an awful lot of defending to do and dangerous when acting as an auxiliary midfielder.

BERNARDO SILVA

The heartbeat alongside Gundogan in midfield. Never stopped driving City on.

ILKAY GUNDOGAN

Let Silva do the running and kept things ticking over. Intelligently picked passes through the lines.

PHIL FODEN

Electrifying coming in off the right. Bagged his first derby goals and terrorised Malacia.

KEVIN DE BRUYNE

Appears to be becoming even better. Ran the show behind Haaland. Deserved a goal.

JACK GREALISH

Had the beating of Dalot constantly and a threat throughout. Maybe his best game for the club.

Incredible — again. Just a phenomenal finisher. Signs that his link-up play is improving too.

SUBSTITUTES

Gomez 7 (for Walker 4lmin) Palmer 6 (for Grealish 75) Alvarez 6 (for De Bruyne 75) Mahrez 6 (for Foden 75) Laporte 6 (for Gundogan 75)

PEP GUARDIOLA

Has found big-game formula with Haaland, Foden and Grealish trident working perfectly.

DAVID DE GEA

Let down by those in front of him. Abject defending gave him no chance in goal.

DIOGO BALOT

Card was marked inside 90 seconds when booked. Embarrassed by Grealish, but had no help.

RAPHAEL VARANE

Should have been taken off as soon as he pulled up and was left exposed for City's third.

LISANDRO MARTINEZ 4

Never dealt with Haaland and didn't get to grips with the City runners from midfield, either.

TYRELL MALACIA

Tough assignment up against Foden but got nowhere near him and was hooked at half-time.

SCOTT MeTOMINAY 55

One huge early block. Part of midfield that was overrun from the off. Needed more help.

CHRISTIAN BRIKSEN

Barely found a man all game and resorted to chucking unsuccessful balls long for Rashford.

ANTONY

Completely anonymous out on the right, either side of scoring a stunning consolation goal.

BRUNO FERNANDES 5

On the periphery. So dejected that he couldn't even raise the energy to berate team-mates.

JADON SANCHO

United were so panicked when they had possession, they never utilised him properly.

MARCUS RASHFORD

Looked a lost soul up front on his own with no support. United didn't get near him.

SUBSTITUTES

Lindelof 5 (for Varane 40min) Shaw 6 (for Malacia 46) Martial 7.5 (for Rashford 59) Casemiro 6 (for McTominay 59) Fred 6 (for Sancho 70)

ERIK TEN HAG

Looked dumbfounded for the majority of the afternoon as United were torn apart.

REFEREE MICHAEL OLIVER

Played a superb advantage allowing City to plough forward and score their fourth goal before the break.

FTHERE was one goal — one passage of play that summed up the difference between these two Manchester teams, it was City's third of a first half that settled this game and underlined just how unbalanced life has become in this great football city.

As a rare United forward move broke down in centre field, Jack Grealish carried the ball into opposition territory. Seeing the danger but not realising it was his job to close it down, Christian Eriksen took two steps away and then, far too late, tried to make up ground towards the ball.

Grealish, with time and space, fed possession right to Kevin De Bruyne... and then the magic began.

City's Belgian— once upon a time their most feted player—had three options as he moved

to within 25 yards of goal. The most obvious pass was to his right, to the overlapping full back. The second-best option seemed to be to take a shot. But this being De Bruyne, and this being City, the 31-year-old chose the most unlikely and by far the most difficult option.

To reach Erling Haaland at the far post, De Bruyne's right-footed cross had to bypass two United defenders and then, most difficult of all, find that elusive channel between the goalkeeper and a covering red shirt.

It had to be perfect and, of course, it was. Haaland, sliding with foot outstretched, rammed the ball into the goal and this game was done.

It was a City goal that said everything about them and much about United, too. Everything City do under Pep Guardiola (below) is underpinned by hard work. For all De Bruyne's excellence, there is no goal unless Haaland makes the most of every physical attribute he possesses to reach the ball.

For some United players, maximum effort continues to look like an option, particularly when things aren't going well. Sadly, there was more evidence of that here.

As Haaland celebrated the second of his three goals in front of the United supporters, his father hugged friends in the posh seats. Alf-Inge was never as talented as his boy. Nowhere near. He did know how to put in a shift, though, and that is one attribute he can claim to have passed down the family line.

That was the big goal, the third one. This is a United team who remain flawed but capable of scoring goals. They were wretched here and still managed to hit three. So at 2-0 down they were technically in the game, but at 3-0 the contest — such as it had been — was dead.

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And as the Haaland family did their thing in different parts of the stadium, a number of United supporters left their seats

football is as bad as this, the pub is a far more attractive option. City were magnificent here. Their first 45 minutes stands as one of the best halves of football under Guardiola.

and headed back into

town. When their team's

With United manager Erik ten Hag having left his back four dreadfully exposed by fielding a holding pair of Eriksen and Scott McTominay, City had acres of space in which to work, Nevertheless, there was something about the desperate hunger of City's football

that was impressive even

LADYMAN

Football Editor at the Etihad



to those of us who have become familiar with it over recent years. Haaland and De Bruyne were

irresistible, but so too was Phil Foden. Watching the 22-year-old play with such incisiveness, energy and confidence, it was hard to reconcile that with two wholly indifferent shifts contributed to the England cause at Wembley and the San Siro in the previous nine days.

That, though, is a problem for national boss Gareth Southgate to consider and solve. For City, Foden breached the 50-goal mark on one of his best afternoons in a club shirt.

For long periods, United were drowning; utterly incapable of competing with City. In playing so poorly, they confirmed what many still suspect about them. This group are capable of winning big games. They showed that under Ole Gunnar Solskjaer. Still,

though, they can collapse when matches start to go badly.

The way they conceded three quick goals towards the end of the first half here was reminiscent of the 4-0 defeat at Brentford in August. These two defeats book-end wins over Liverpool and Arsenal at Old Trafford, and the awarding of the September manager of the month award to Ten Hag. And that's United in a nutshell.

Sometimes it does come down to desire. Individual battles can lay the platform for victory or otherwise. United lost far too many battles. Haaland left Eriksen and McTominay in a daze as he headed in his first goal and his team's second. Shortly after com-

ing on, the Brazilian Casemiro was outmuscled by Bernardo Silva. The score was 4-1 to City at the time, but still the home team showed the greater hunger.

United won the second half, which was weird. Their two late goals were cheered ironically

> by City fans. Soon Haaland and Foden were squabbling over the match ball like toddlers. From somewhere, a spare appeared. Honours even for those in blue at least. Between blue and red. the imbalance has long been apparent and it remains

De Bruyne's pinpoint pass a thing of beauty



Precision: As De Bruyne charges forward, he ignores the easy ball to the right and instead threads a pass past two United defenders which curls perfectly into the path of Haaland who scores sky sports

Guardiola: We hit them for six,

TYPICALLY, Pep Guardiola picked holes in Manchester City's mauling of their bitter rivals. The City manager was unimpressed with some 'sloppiness' from his players, even though they put six goals past Manchester United with hat-tricks from Phil Foden and Erling Haaland.

United scored three times in the second half to take some of the gloss off City's performance. The champions, the only side not to have lost so far this season, are a point behind league leaders Arsenal. 'Perfection doesn't exist, it's

JACK GAUGHAN

at the Etihad Stadium

impossible. But we must try to look there,' Guardiola said. 'We did good, we can do better. Many, many players made sloppy passes. This is not good. We have to be more consistent. 'In some areas we were still not good, the simple things still we are not good enough. We are losing easy balls. We still conceded some actions for the opponent with simple things we were not doing well." Haaland's phenomenal record

in England continued after he scored a third consecutive home hat-trick, the only player ever to achieve that feat. He also obliterated the record for the quickest player to score three hat-tricks in the top flight. Haaland, 22, now has 14 goals in eight league appearances. 'What I like in the last period of the game is he is involved,' Guardiola added.

'He said (earlier in the season), "I prefer to touch the ball five times and score five goals". I don't like that, I want him to touch the ball more and more. 'I like that he's more involved.



but still weren't at our best!

but don't forget his biggest talent is to put the ball in the net. He has incredible instincts that the ball will arrive and it comes from his mum and dad, he was born with that.' Haaland's father, Alfie, was spotted dancing the 'Poznan' where supporters turn their back on the game and bounce up and down — during the second half. Haaland and Foden both took a different match ball home with them.

Guardiola added: 'We have this incredible sense that Erling always looks starving and is so competitive. The numbers are

scary, honestly. He came here and realised, "Oh, these guys, my mates, run like an animal and I have to do it too". He will have a break. There will be games he does not play.' Haaland believes a disappointing debut for City, in the Community Shield defeat by Liverpool, proved a catalyst for his stunning start. 'My confidence is good, it's always been good,' Haaiand said. 'After we played against Liverpool in the Community Shield it was still good after. It was good that match happened, I thought I have to

be a bit more ready. 'I felt before the (United) game that something special was going to happen and we saw today that some special things happened.

Man Utd 1 TOTTENHAM 6

Man Utd 0 LIVERPOOL 5

MAN CITY 6 Man Utd 3

BRENTFORD 4 Man Utd 0

Oct 2020:

Oct 2021:

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Oct 2022:

'It was nice. On Friday, I felt it in the whole training ground. It's these games I want to play in. These are the best games where there's a bit extra. 'It could've been more and in the second half we should've been tighter, worked a bit harder, because it was a bit sloppy at times. We lost the second half and this is not good so we still have to work.'

Embarrassing, this was total football v total fools

should not have been kidded by the 4-0 scoreline. It hadn't been that close. We like to talk about 'identity' in football but Manchester United's was non-existent. On the rare occasions they won the ball in that first half, it was hopelessly lumped long and it came to nothing. It was total football against total fools. You can lose a game, especially against the best team in the world, but this was embarrassing. United are a strange club. They have more ups and downs than a rider on a Tour de France mountain stage and it's never long before the wheels come off. There's a process to it — they'll do something that gets their supporters excited, there is hype,

ANYONE tuning in at half-time



then it'll come to a bitter end. They beat Liverpool 4-0 in pre-season, then started the campaign with losses to Brighton and Brentford. They secured four successive wins, then they lose like this. Even I got sucked into the hype. I said City would only win 4-1 in my BBC predictions, having foolishly thought United had improved!

Erik ten Hag needs time. This is a team in transition and they went up against an awesome side. But United's players need to take a long look at themselves after this.

Awful United plunged back into darkness

JUST when Manchester United thought it was safe to feel positive again, just when we thought there would be a Manchester derby worthy of the name, this was an annihilation so brutal, so one-sided, that Erik ten Hag was plunged back into his worst

nightmare. If the United manager thought that being 4-0 down before half-time at Brentford in August was an horrific aberration, never to be repeated, here he was just seven

weeks later in the same deep, dark hole. Only this time Manchester City threatened to make it even worse for the Dutchman. The fact the eventual damage was only 6-3 was largely down to Pep Guardiola's exhilarating side taking their foot off the gas in the second half and conceding three goals that distorted the scoreline. When City hit United for six at Old Trafford in October 2011, Sir Alex Ferguson's team were punished for chasing the game with 10 men. They were never in this one. Four straight wins since the Brentford debacle had raised hopes that United were moving in the right direction under Ten Hag. Let's not forget, the Dutchman arrived here as the Premier League manager of the month. But the green shoots of recovery were trampled into the Etihad turf so mercilessly that you had to question just how much progress has really been made. United's fragile confidence crumbled in the face of an irresistible City team performance and the individual brilliance of Erling Haaland, Phil Foden and Kevin De Bruyne. Ten Hag made a bold team selection, picking only one defensive midfielder in Scott McTominay, perhaps hoping it

would send out a message to his

as United were overrun,

to double up on holding

It took him an hour to end

players, but the decision backfired

McTominay's misery by replacing

him with Casemiro, and 70 minutes

CHRIS WHEELER

at the Etihad Stadium

midfielders by sending on Fred. By then, United were 5-1 down and there were more empty blue seats than United fans in the away section.

The team selection allowed Christian Eriksen to start but the Dane must also have suffered flashbacks to Brentford. Inexplicably, he was left marking Haaland when the Norwegian headed the second goal. Much was said in the build-up about Lisandro Martinez's lack of height against Haaland, but surely the plan wasn't for Eriksen to pick him up at a corner?

'Of course not,' snorted Ten Hag indignantly, pointing to the fact that Raphael Varane had been hurt seconds earlier

Varane limped off before half-time,

having lost Foden for the first goal and Haaland for the third Eriksen and Varane have been key figures in United's revival. So have Martinez and Tyrell Malacia, but they were beaten to the punch for the fourth and fifth goals. None of Ten Hag's players emerged from this with any credit, except perhaps substitute Anthony Martial who led a meaningless late fightback.

A revitalised Marcus Rashford didn't lay a glove on City and former City man Jadon Sancho was utterly anonymous, and left the field to howls of derision when Ten Hag made his fifth and final substitution.

That left Cristiano Ronaldo stewing on the bench. 'I wouldn't bring him in out of respect for Cristiano and his big career,' said Ten Hag, clearly feeling that he had done Ronaldo a favour Every United manager since Ferguson in 1987 has lost his first league derby against Manchester City, so Ten Hag is not alone in that respect. But the manner of this humiliation is a huge backwards step he could not

have expected.

6 rut and Gerrard's **ASTON VILLA have been** in 106 goalless draws in the Premier League more than any other side. Only Everton (6) have had more red cards than Leeds (4) since the start of last

They flop against 10 men after Sinisterra moment of madness CRAIG TEVEN GERRARD said he could not call HOPE himself 'disappointed' with this first away at Elland Road point of the season. LEEDS Almost the entire second half against 10 men? He should have been. Fast approaching a year in **ASTON VILLA** charge, the jury tasked with deter-

mining the merits or otherwise of the Aston Villa manager remains split. On this evidence, they will not be returning a verdict any time soon.

Villa were not bad, but nor were they good. Perhaps that is what they are, a mid-table side. Given

getting prickly

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the owners' investment, supporters expect better, and so

they should. Gerrard was certainly prickly when asked afterwards if his team

were progressing, the inference being that they were not.

Rough and tumble: Jack Harrison and Tyrone Mings clash and Jacob Ramsey tackles

Brenden

Aaronson (right)

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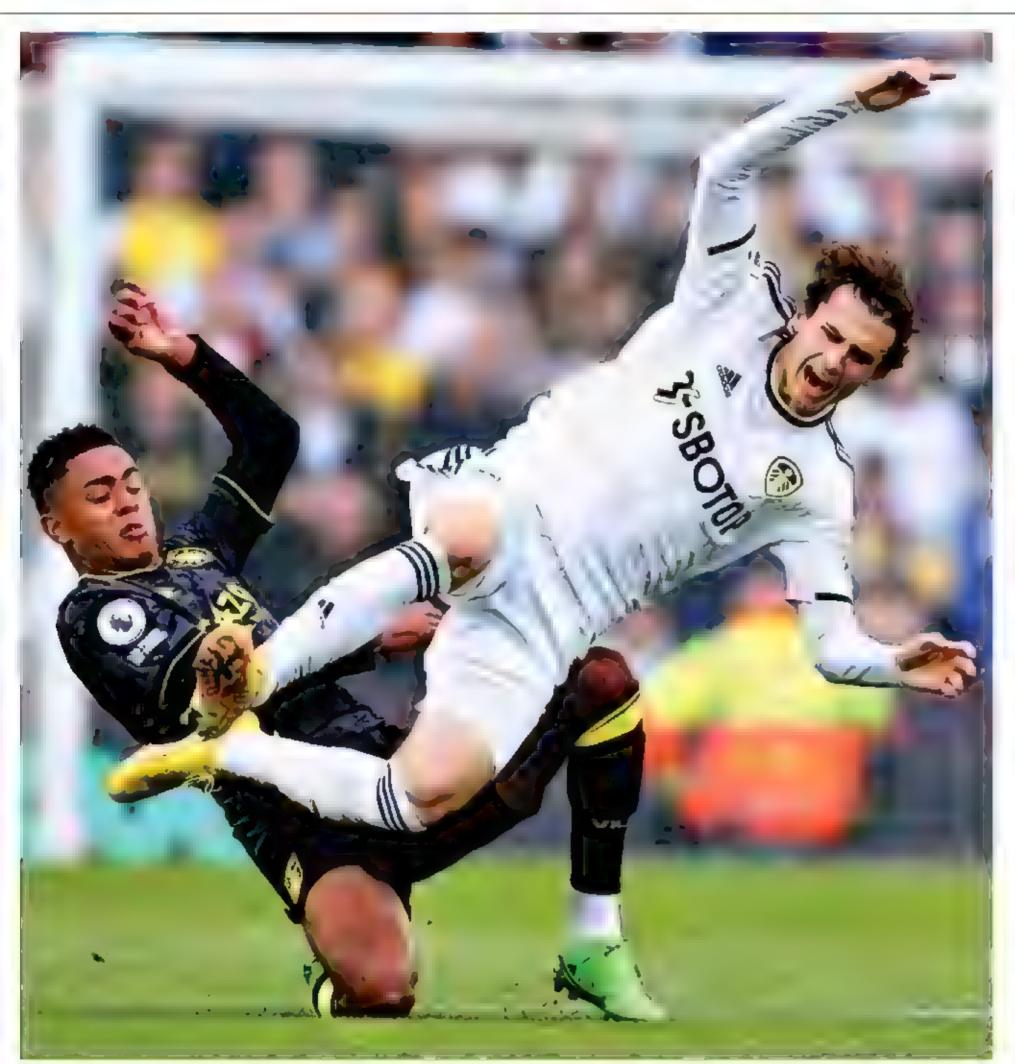
'We were one goal away from you not asking that question,' he cut back. 'We're close to that improvement but there's still tons of work to do.'

But Villa did not score, and that is why questions are justifiably asked There wouldn't be as much need for the questions if Gerrard's side had won more than one away league game since March. But they haven't

They should have won here after Leeds winger Luis Sinisterra gifted them a man advantage in the 48th minute when blocking a quick free-kick at the expense of a second yellow card. It was a

Kicking off: Villa manager Steven Gerrard vents his frustration REX





brainless act, but Villa weren't too clever either.

one or two of his players might not sleep as well as they should do.

He did not name them, but we're willing to take a not-so-wild guess Philippe Coutinho and

Ollie Watkins.

It was in injury time when Gerrard booted a water bottle with a connection far cleaner than that of striker Watkins, who had just shot at goalkeeper Illan Meslier when free inside the penalty area.

As for Coutinho, he looks not so much a pale imitation and more an anaemic replica of the player who cost Barcelona £142million in 2018.

Gerrard has called the Brazilian his 'little magician'. He has certainly performed a disappearing act this season. No goals, no assists.

There is a lot to like about Gerrard and the feeling remains that he will be a very good manager. But will that be at Villa?

His team needs to be far more ruthless than this if he is to lift the negativity that has descended in recent weeks

What Gerrard did get right was his assertion that referee Stuart Attwell had a good game. You would not know as much being inside the stadium.

It was perhaps best that Leeds boss Jesse Marsch watched from the press box. Had the excitable American been on the touchline, he probably would have landed another ban.

Come the end, the home fans were mockingly celebrating decisions in their favour as if they had scored a goal, such was their annoyance with Attwell. No crowd does perceived injustice quite like a partisan Elland Road.

'You're not fit to referee' they chorused. That felt very unfair.

What was fair was the red card for Sinisterra — he had earlier correctly been booked for a foul -- and

lever either. Gerrard, cuttingly, did say that HOW THEY ST

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	Chelsea7	4	1	2	10	10	0	13
	Man Utd 7	4	0	3	- 11	14	-3	12
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	Fulham8	3	2	3	13	10	-2	- 11
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	Bournemouth 8	2	3	3	-6	19	-13	9
	Aston Villa 8	2	2	4	6	10	-4	8
	West Ham 8	2	-1	5	5	1	-4	7
	Southamptn.8	2	1	5	8	13	-5	7
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Attwell's handling of an irritable game was balanced. He showed six cards in total and you could not find fault with any of them.

Once their anger had subsided, the Leeds supporters rightly applauded those players who had fought their way to a point.

The closest they came to losing was when a Coutinho volley rebounded off the post and Watkins followed up to stab wide on 50 minutes.

It was ironic that one of the tactics they employed was, understandably, wasting time. Ironic in that they had been so irked by Villa's attempts to do similar before the red card

But it should also be said, Villa's strategy to eat up time from the first whistle felt somewhat bizarre.

This was the all white of Leeds United they were playing, not Real Madrid. Surely, a team with the supposed attacking talent of Coutinho, Watkins and John McGinn should show more faith in their ability to win a game?

There was a glimpse of Coutin-

ho's old self with one mazy run on 18 minutes. But the weak finish was the modern-day version.

Home playmaker Brenden Aaronson was not faring much better. The American has been busy and inventive since arriving in the summer, but he looked lightweight here.

Twice he stayed down clutching his leg after hefty first-half challenges — one legal, one not — and Villa's roughhouse tactic appeared to rob the 21-year-old of his usual bounce.

But for all of Villa's efforts in disrupting the game, it was they who had the better of the chances come half-time.

Meslier saved twice from Watkins and Leon Bailey, although both shots were directed straight at the Frenchman.

Leeds had a couple of moments of promise but, each time Sinisterra fizzed balls through the goalmouth, there were no takers.

Patrick Bamford must have been wishing he was on the pitch instead of the bench and, by the time he was introduced, Sinisterra was off.

But Bamford's arrival gave Leeds a focus previously lacking and he came close to laying on a winner for fellow substitute Mateusz Klich during injury time, but McGinn recovered to block inside the six-yard area.

Had that gone in, the jury on Gerrard might just have been readying their verdict.

LEEDS (4-2-3-1): Meslier 6.5; Kristensen 6 (Ayling 69, 6), Koch 6.5, COOPER 7, Struijk 6.5; Adams 6.5, Roca 6.5 (Firpo 58, 6); Harrison 6 (Klich 79), Aaronson 5.5 (Sommerville 79), Sinisterra 5; Rodrigo 5.5 (Bamford 69, 6.5). Booked: Sinisterra, Roca, Rodrigo, Koch. Sent off: Sinisterra. Manager: Jesse Marsch 6.

ASTON VILLA (4-3-3): Martinez 6.5; Young 7, Konsa 7, Mings 7, Augustinsson 5.5 (Bednarek 45, 6); Ramsey 7 (Ings 83), Douglas Luiz 6.5, McGinn 6.5; Bailey 5.5 (Buendla 64, 7), Watkins 5.5, Coutinho 5.5. Booked: Augustinsson, Bailey. Manager: Steven Gerrard 6. Referee: Stuart Attwell 7. Attendance: 36,582.

Bosses in war of words over time-wasting

STEVEN GERRARD said he did not care about the opinions of Jesse Marsch after the Leeds boss accused Aston Villa of time-wasting. A bad-tempered encounter finished goalless at Elland Road after Villa failed to take advantage when home winger Luis Sinisterra was sent off in the 48th minute. Tensions had not eased after the game, either. Marsch — serving a touchline ban following his clash with the officials at Brentford last month criticised Villa's tactics in attempting to slow the game and also hinted at his unhappiness with referee Stuart Attwell. But Gerrard hit back, saying: 'Was he happy with their time-wasting when they went to 10? It works both ways. I'm not really interested in what Jesse thinks and his opinion. My priority is Aston Villa and I'm here to talk about our performance and what we need to do to get points." As for Attwell, who was targeted by the home crowd, Gerrard said: 'He had a good game. Is there anything he got wrong? If the refs don't get anything wrong, that's a good game. Well done to Stuart.' But Marsch was not happy and

claimed Villa had ruined the

spectacle for supporters. 'I will

CRAIG HOPE

at Elland Road

be speaking to someone from the league,' he said. 'I've already spoken to the referees' committee. This is clearly a tactic. They took up another hour and a half of our time this week to remind us they will do better at controlling the run of play in matches. 'I didn't create that dialogue, that's not my agenda, that's the league's agenda. I feel bad for our fans when they have to come here and watch that. 'I feel we almost have to apologise to the fans. They want to see an entertaining game, but they get a match which is slowed down by the opponents from the first whistle. 'it's respect for how we play against the ball and the aggression we show. Teams are trying to flip the script on that.

that in my career.' Gerrard said: 'We knew it was going to be competitive. We wanted to frustrate Leeds. Leeds want to get into a rhythm, they want to run all over you. We slowed the game to our tempo. We went to war when we needed to go to war. 'The sending-off was helpful, but from that moment we had to be better and drag the points away from Leeds.'

It's not new. I've encountered

LEEDS FORWARD SENT OFF AFTER STOPPING FREE-KICK





LEEDS were forced to play with 10 men from the 48th minute after Luis Sinisterra was shown a second yellow card for biocking a Villa free-kick (above). His first yellow was for a soft trip and his dismissal (left) left the home side to scrap for a point.



GOOD WEEK

Series of the

IF GARETH SOUTHGATE could choose one player to replicate his club form in an England shirt, it would be Foden. How different he looks stretching the play. without having to wonder whether he's getting in the way of an onrushing wing-back. His three goals were examples of his superb instinct to find space, and having the speed to make it count. Bukayo Saka is in fine form himself, but he will not distodge this version of Foden from the line-up.

Parameter and the second

BOWEN was one of 12 players in the most recent 26-man squad not to play a minute of football against Italy and Germany, and his place was under threat from Marcus Rashford and Jadon Sancho. But a first league goal of the season against Wolves on Saturday should be the boost he needs to kick on for Qatar.

CALUIM WILSON

IVAN TONEY will tell you how hard it is to get even a minute up front for England, but Wilson's excellent response to £60million Alexander Isak coming in at Newcastle shows just how little he's prepared to sit around not playing.

BAD WEEK

TRENT

ALEXANDER-ARNOLD

IF JURGEN KLOPP was convinced that Alexander-Arnold is a fine defender, then no one told Brighton. Mentally, he looks shot after a fortnight of being conspicuous by his absence from the England squad and relentless debate over whether this supremely talented player can do the job others in his position consider their primary task. Leandro Trossard ran him ragged and Brighton could have been four up inside 20 minutes as they repeatedly targeted the Liverpool right. Until Alexander-Arnold gives them a reason not to, Liverpool's opponents will keep going at him.

ERIC DIER

THE Tottenham centre back only got back into the England set-up last month for the first time in nearly two years, but struggled in both matches and was then given the run around by Gabriel Jesus on Saturday. But the bar is not all that high for an England centre back at present.

JORDAN HENDERSON

HE WAS reduced to a bit-part player at Euro 2020 last summer, though was extremely valuable off the field. But his time looks to be up for England, especially with Jude Bellingham — who captained Borussia Dortmund at just 19 on Saturday — looking imperious.

Damaging defeat gives chastening re

THE first setback when it came for Tottenham was severe. A sobering defeat at the hands of their nearest and flercest rivals to cast doubt on the nature of their recent progress.

Antonio Conte had gone into Saturday's derby at pains to stress that there was very little to separate the two teams last season, and that Arsenal had been buying quality players from champions Manchester City. Perhaps he feared a reality check and it came with little consolation.

"The taste of the defeat we don't want to feel again,' said captain Hugo Lloris. 'If we want to continue to grow as a team then we have to take this feeling and change it as soon as possible. You have

League line-up this season:

Southampton

Nottm Forest

ARSENAL

Leeds

Everton

YOUNG GUNS ARE HERE TO STAY

24y 136d

24y 186d

25y 68d

25y 194d

Youngest average Premier 11 THERE were 21 passes

in the build-up to

goal, the joint-longest

Thomas Partey's opening

sequence leading to a goal

in the top flight this season

alongside Fabio Vieira,

also for Arsenal, against

Brentford last month.

MATT BARLOW

at the Emirates Stadium

to bounce back as a team and make a run of good results to change this feeling. We have to move forward. The best answer we can give is to win the next few games.

This was Tottenham's first defeat of the Premier League campaign. Their first in the competition since mid-April. They scored six in their previous match and are four points off the top, yet this seemed like a chastening reminder of their limitations. Conte's style is not particularly attractive if his attacking players are

not clinical on the counter-attack and, at Arsenal, they were not.

Tottenham's boss left the Emirates Stadium grumbling about openings wasted by poor passing on the break in the first half and the inconsistencies of English referees after Emerson Royal's red card, in the 62nd minute. Royal had been run ragged by Gabriel Martinelli from the first seconds and there was an element of frustration

about the tackle on his fellow Brazilian. It was the challenge of a defender tired of chasing. His lazy effort ended with his stude going into Martinelli's ankle

and it looked u as Conte claim Royal will be ba League fixtures Everton and M although there back, injuries a Lucas Moura s Dejan Kuluseva for at least two from internation hamstring prob As Conte has n Bryan Gil, he p room for mano may go some w indecision follo Royal was sent



Arsenal must cash

ONGEVITY is the buzz word at Arsenal. Yes, they are enjoying the here and now following a run of seven wins in eight matches that leaves them top of the Premier League.

But they aren't patting themselves on the back; with their promising start comes recognition that this isn't time for self-congratulation. Instead, there is acceptance that the club finds itself in a moment they cannot afford to let slip.

This young Arsenal team — one of the youngest in Europe's top five divisions appear to be on the brink of something special. Ensuring it evolves, not fades, is a key motivation right now.

The priority is to extend Bukayo Saka's contract. There is confidence from Arsenal that a deal for the England international to extend by at least a further three or four years can be struck.

A contract, which would make Saka one of the best-paid players at the club, has been formally offered but is yet to SAMI MOKBEL at the Emirates Stadium







be signed. The offer would guarantee Saka close to £200,000 a week — a huge amount for a 21-year-old. But there are a few things Saka should consider before he signs.

First, is he underselling himself? Phil Foden recently signed a deal at Manchester City worth £225,000 a week.

Second, would be benefit from a contractual clause that facilitates any departure should Arsenal – as unlikely

Saka, Saliba and Mar as it seems right now — fail to qualify for the Champions League? But from a purely footballing point of view, why would Saka consider leaving? There

It's perfect time to tie

isn't a more exciting team in England. Saka's personal investment in taking an executive box at the Emirates should serve as encouragement that he is fully invested in life at Arsenal.

The club also see extending William Saliba's contract as a priority.

The 21-year-old's performances at the heart of Mikel Arteta's defence have earned rave reviews. Jamie Carragher was the latest to tweet his appreciation during the France international's brilliant display in Saturday's win over Tottenham. You can also expect the

wheels to start movi contract for Gabrie not-too-distant futu fast emerging as one tant players in Artet and directness a key excellent start

Sportsmail unders been admiring glar from Arsenal's to recent months - C clubs believed to b 21-year-old.

Persuading the afor sign long-term deals subject to varying fa so than qualifying Champions League.

minder of Spurs' limitations

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ever shown much faith in obably feels there is little euvre in attack, which ay to explaining his wing the red card. After off Spurs played for nine

minutes with Richarlison vaguely deployed at right wing-back but barely defending, during which time Granit Xhaka scored Arsenal's third — created in that area of the pitch.

Even with two right wing-backs on the bench, Conte wanted to send on left-sided Ryan Sessegnon, before summoning midfielder Yves Bissouma for a double change

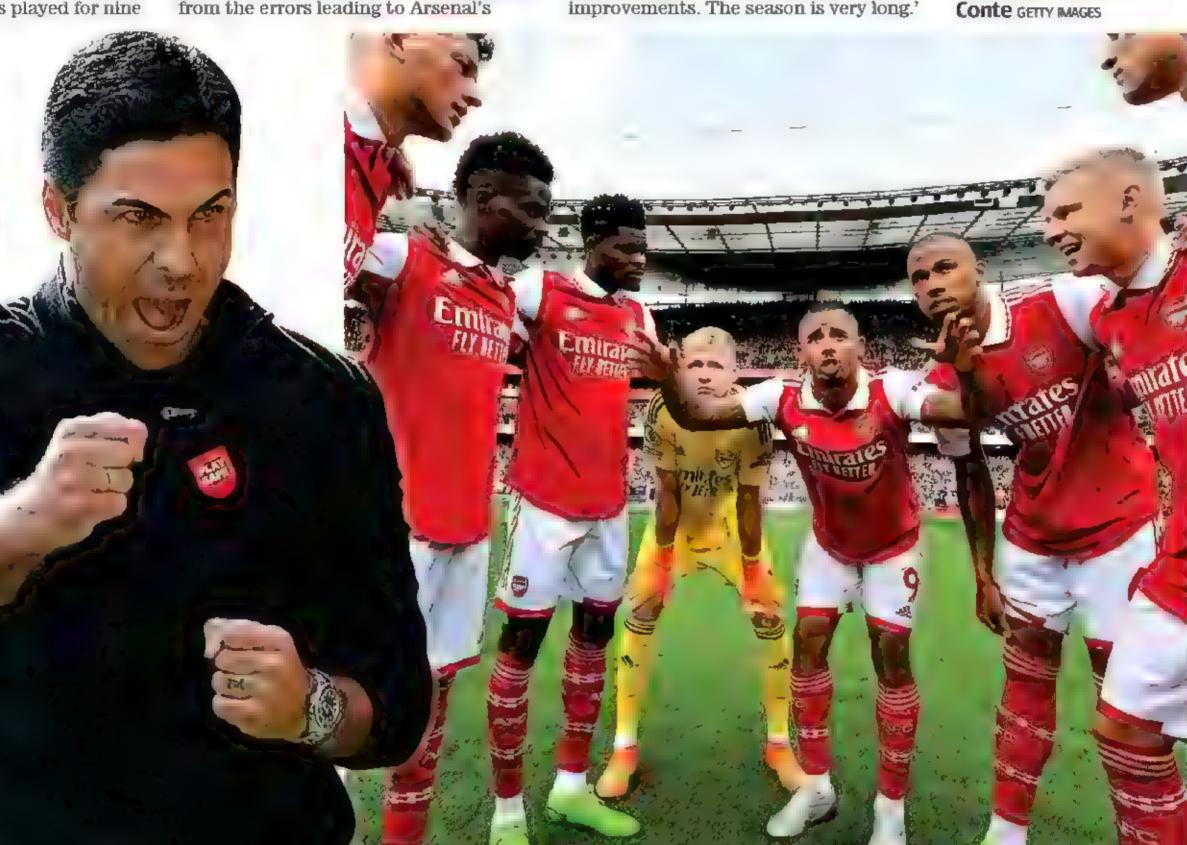
By the time Xhaka made it 3-1, Sessegnon and Bissouma were still not on. When the substitution finally came, it was a quadruple change, involving Davinson Sanchez and Matt Doherty. By then, it was too late. The game's key phase had ended, there were 18 minutes

second goal and the third in the 67th minute, with the red card in between. It was most unlike Conte. Some of these lesser-trusted Tottenham players have expressions of patience worn thin but the manager is going to need them, starting with the Champions League tie at Eintracht Frankfurt tomorrow. Defeat would make it three losses in in four games and the summer optimism will be draining away. 'Even when we were getting

good results we said that there was a gap to improve,' said Lloris. 'We are still looking for improvements. The season is very long.'



Downbeat: Antonio Conte GETTY IMAGES



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able that Arsenal will not finish in the top four this season. The club intend to spend again in January with a new central midfielder on the radar.

Arteta is taking Arsenal's involvement in the Europa League seriously — but expect to see the Spaniard rest key players during the group stages of the tournament as he prioritises the Premier League.

Players are also taking responsibility for fitness into their own hands, with a number understood to have employed private trainers to ensure their bodies are fully functioning from week to

They are not the only ones. England captain Harry Kane, who scored his 100th away Premier League goal against Arsenal on Saturday, is seeing Canadabased Spanish sports medicine specialist Dr Alejandro Elorriaga Claraco away from Tottenham.

Arteta and his players are leaving no stone uncovered in ensuring their Premier League challenge does not fade. But if Arsenal somehow capitulate, you do wonder what knock-on consequence it may have on their attempts to secure the futures of their best young players

Winning words: vice-captain Gabriel Jesus gives a rousing team talk

However, the leaders in this Arsenal team — the likes of Granit Xhaka, Gabriel Jesus and captain Martin Odegaard — will ensure the team stay on an even keel should the waters get choppy. Xhaka, in particular, deserves credit for the way he has turned his Arsenal career around after being vilified by his own supporters in 2019, an incident which eventually led to him being stripped of the club captaincy.

But — armband or no armband — Xhaka remains one of Arsenal's lieutenants. Ask many at the club's training HQ and they will tell you he is club captain in all but name.

At half-time on Saturday, the Swiss midfielder is understood to have apologised for his role in what led to Tottenham being awarded a first-half penalty that Kane dispatched to equalise. Xhaka failed to clear in the box before Gabriel's poor tackle on Richarlison forced referee Anthony Taylor's hand

Gabriel's decision to go to ground was misjudged, while Aaron Ramsdale's decision to come rushing out before realising he had to retreat sparked havoc in defence. But the fact that Xhaka volunteered to take the bullets in the confines of Arsenal's dressing room speaks volumes for his character.

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It all bodes well for Arteta's 'process', Understandably, the Gunners boss will temper the euphoria and expectations his team host Liverpool on Sunday. Victory against Jurgen Klopp's side and keeping a lid on things will become considerably harder.

ARSENAL (4-3-3): Ramsdale 6.5; White 7 (Tomiyasu 89min), Saliba 8, Gabriel 6.5, Zinchenko 7 (Terney 73, 6.5); Partey 8 (Lokonga 73, 6.5), Xhaka 8; Saka 7.5, Odegaand 7 (Vielna 80), JESUS 8.5 (Nketiah 80) Martinelli 7.5. Scorers: Partey 20, Jesus 49, Xhaka 67. Booked: Saliba, Martinelli. Manager: Mikel Arteta 8.

TOTTENHAM (3-4-3): Lloris 5; Romero 6.5, Dier 6, Lenglet 5.5 (Sanchez 71, 5.5); Royal 5, Bentancur 7, Hojbjerg 6 (Skipp 75, 6), Perisic 6.5 (Bissouma 71, 6); Richariison 6.5 (Sessegnon 71, 5.5), Kane 7.5, Son 6 (Doherty 72, 6). Scorer: Kane 3I (pen).

Booked: Dier. Sent off: Royal. Manager: Antonio Conte 6. Referee: Anthony Taylor 7. Attendance: 60,278.

Cherries hold firm as O'Neil wins support of the squad





BRENTFORD IAN WINROW

at the Vitality Stadium

GARY O'NEIL insists he is not thinking about his long-term future but the Bournemouth interim head coach is clearly building support inside the dressing room. The Cherries remain unbeaten in the four games O'Neil has overseen since being placed in temporary charge after Scott Parker was dismissed following the 9-0 defeat by Liverpool. During that spell, Bournemouth have appeared impressively resolute -although Saturday's scoreless draw also highlighted their continuing limitations as an attacking force. Progress, though, has clearly been made and while O'Neil is unlikely to gain a clear understanding of where his future lies before the club's ownership is resolved Las Vegas businessman Bill Foley's £150million planned takeover is believed to be close to being completed — Dominic Solanke has backed the caretaker boss' suitability for the long-term job 'We all know Gary really well,' said the Bournemouth forward. 'He has been with us for a while now and you can see how well we are doing on the pitch under him. He has got our respect and if that's the case (that he gets the job) we will be more than happy." Left back Jordan Zemura also added his voice of support for O'Neil. 'Gary's doing a fantastic job,' he said. 'He's been here for two seasons now and he's a great person, great manager and great guy. He just gives us the freedom to embrace ourselves on the pitch, just gives us opportunities to play freely and just reminds us about the quality we have in the room. O'Neil insists his focus is on the here

and now, although he is clearly becoming versed in the ups and downs of management after his side were on the wrong end of a contentious penalty decision when Zemura went down under a challenge from Kristoffer Ajer.

I have zero thought about what any result does for me,' he said. 'Absolutely zero. I am focused purely on what it does for the club. So tonight I go home and put another point on the board for the club. 'I'm enjoying it, although I hated those 90 minutes because we didn't show what I thought we could show.' Brentford manager Thomas Frank had similar cause for frustration. Ivan Toney missed a number of halfchances but Frank insists the striker's mentality will help him overcome the disappointment of missing out on any action for England this week. Tvan's mentality is one of his biggest strengths and you can see that in the games as well — he misses a chance and he's on to the next action,' insisted the Danish coach.

'He is very strong mentally which is why he is now doing very well.' BOURNEMOUTH (4-2-3-1): Neto 7; Smith 6,

MEPHAM 8, Senesi 7, Zemura 6; L Cook 6, Lerma 6: Tavernier 6, Solanke 7, Billing 6; Moore 6 (Christie 72mln, 6). Booked: Lerma. Manager: Gary O'Nell 7.

BRENTFORD (4-3-3): Raya 6; Aler 5 (Hickey 61, 6), Jansson 6 (Zanka 64, 6), Mee 7, Henry 7; Baptiste 6 (Onyeka 84, 6), Janelt 6, Jensen 6; Mbeumo 5 (Wissa 6I, 6), Toney 5, Damsgaard 6 (Dasilva 6I, 6). Booked: Hickey, Toney. Manager: Thomas Frank 6.5. Referee. Thomas Bramall 6. Attendance: 10,126.

Trossard's treble gives De Zerbi his wish

LEANDRO TROSSARD'S introduction to Roberto De Zerbi was a text message from his new manager that carried a simple instruction: 'I want more goals from you.'

The Belgian could not have provided a more emphatic response as he became the first visiting player to score a hat-trick at Anfield since Arsenal's Andrey Arshavin netted four in 2009. Trossard's treble earned Brighton a 3-3 draw with Liverpool but on reflection it could - and should have been so much more. De Zerbi, in charge for the first time following Graham Potter's defection to Chelsea, gave an indication of the adventurous way he will want Brighton to play and Trossard can see only exciting times for a team that deserves its

The last months we have stepped up our level,' said Trossard. 'It has increased, the whole team has played so well, got a lot of points, we have got a lot of confidence. We need to carry on how we are, working hard, and you will see at the end, you get what you deserve. 'You can see it on the pitch how the new manager wants to let us play, how passionate he is about football. We can progress under him. It is clear how he wants to play and even in three days I've

place in the top four.

By DOMINIC KING

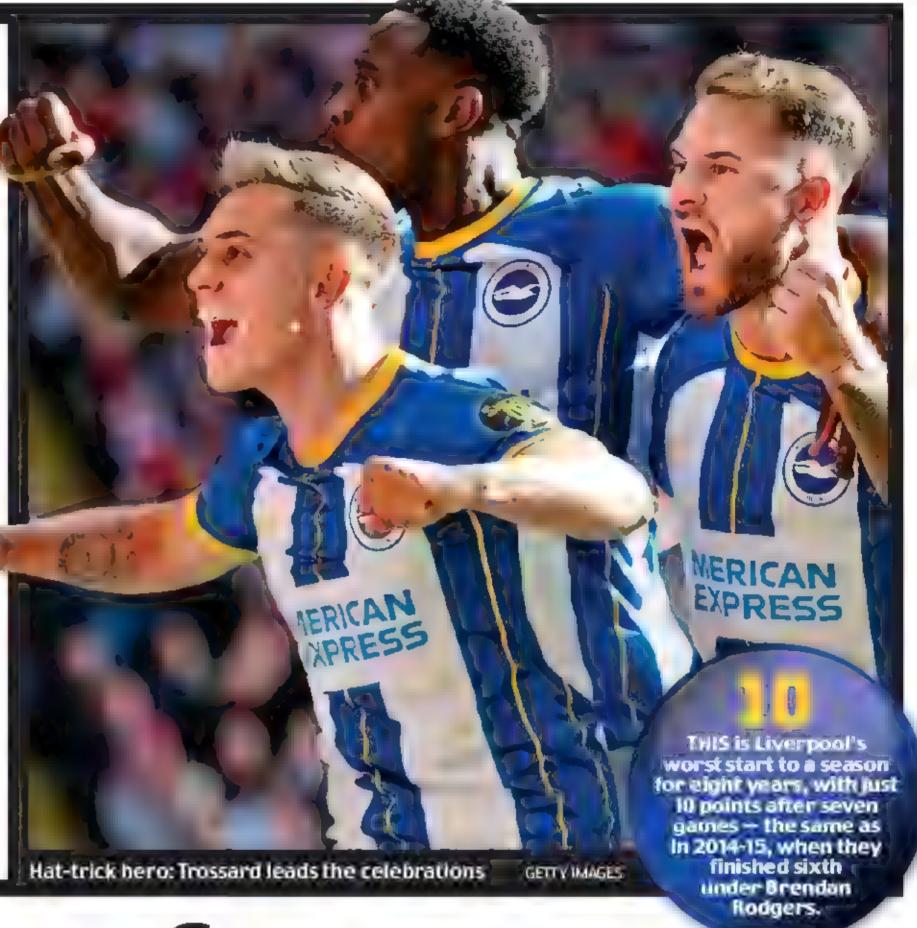
learned a lot. We are going to enjoy our time with him.'
Trossard certainly enjoyed his trip to Merseyside. He left cradling the match ball — his first treble since 2018 when he was playing for Genk — but he also left with a slight frustration that his efforts did not secure three points

"The manager said he was happy with me, how I already played, but that he wanted more goals from me," Trossard revealed. "I said, "If you get me the chances, I will score them!" And now today it's brilliant that I could score three and especially that we got a point from it as well.

'You know at Anfield that it is always hard but, if you are 2-0 up, you just have that feeling to get the three points.

'On the other hand, they had some chances. Maybe at the end it is a well-deserved draw but you always want more, especially as we are playing with a lot of confidence.'

Trossard added: 'I had a knock on my knee, I said I will carry on but I didn't want to take any chances of it getting worse. But then I scored the goal. I suppose that's how football goes.'



DOMINIC KING

at Anfield



Webster 63 (og)



URGEN KLOPP was seven games into his reign as Liverpool boss when he responded to the scenes unfolding around him in an

unforgettable way.

It was November 2015 and Liverpool were about to lose for the first time under Klopp, 2-1 to Crystal Palace at Anfield. As the game entered stoppage time, he looked over his shoulder, did a double take, and then spun on his heels to take in the sight of sceptical supporters streaming towards the exit.

Klopp couldn't believe what he was seeing. He was angry, initially, but eventually he appreciated the dislocation between fan base and team and vowed that it was his mission to ensure the stadium stayed full until the final whistle from then on. Over the past seven years, he has exorcised doubt.

Had Klopp looked over his shoulder on Saturday afternoon, however, he would have been confronted by a jarringly similar scene. Brighton had just plundered the late equaliser their adventurous play deserved and, as stoppage time started, a flurry of fans began to head for home.

'Is there a fire drill?' Brighton's travelling contingent gleefully

All the while, Klopp stood on the touchline with his assistant Pep Lijnders and tried to spark a last, desperate attempt to

Rlopp faces fight to regain The structure of the structur

change the narrative. Nothing happened. Liverpool continued to flounder, their fans continued to file out.

The significance and symbolism of it all could not be escaped. On that fateful day when Crystal Palace provided a reality check, Klopp took on the Kop post-match and said: I felt pretty alone in that moment between 82 minutes and 94 minutes you can make eight goals.

This time, Klopp (right) had no quibble with anyone who felt they had seen enough.

Brighton, playing a 3-4-2-1 formation that took Liverpool by surprise, profited from the chaos within the home team's system and scored three goals—it was only Alisson's

outstanding goalkeeping that

what truly alarmed Klopp, however, was the fact that Liverpool never convinced for a single moment that they would hang on for three points, despite going 3-2 ahead in 63rd minute, when Adam Webster's own goal—on top of Roberto Firmino's

Tellingly, the noise within the stadium subsided as Brighton, buoyed by the attacking menace of Leandro Trossard and the excellent Danny Welbeck, began to ask questions again.

double threatened to

The only thing to conclude is that the trust this fan base had in their team — temporarily at least — has been

the first time,' said Klopp.

'It just

didn't happen too often because we were more convincing.

'It's normal and I don't blame anyone for that in the stands, not at all — this feeling was obvious, it was not done, 3-3, and that feels again like a defeat even when it is not a defeat

'We have to fight through this. The boys can play much better, my job is to create a situation where they deliver. For that you need stability and consistency and you get that with top defending. We didn't defend top in the beginning and then not even during the game.'

Klopp specifically called what he was watching at one point 'horrendous' and nobody was going to challenge that appraisal.

Trent Alexander-Arnold, inevitably, became a focus for what went wrong but to put the blame solely on him is bogus. All over the pitch there are problems.

'It's more complex than it just being the defence,' said Virgil van Dijk. 'We all know we have the responsibility of defending, but also attacking.

'Defending starts from the front and attacking starts from the back and that's how we have our principles. We have to get back to

that, to that consistency. I'm confident we will turn this around.

'We know we have tough games ahead — Rangers in the Champions League, then Arsenal, Rangers again, Manchester City, West Ham. So let's just go for it, get the confidence and consistency back.'

Easier said than done. Brighton, who were invigorated by Graham Potter's replacement Roberto De Zerbi, caused no end of trouble and there is no question the forwards of Arsenal and Manchester City will watch clips from this contest and spot an opportunity to cause mayhem.

Liverpool's form has fallen off a cliff alarmingly quickly; seven of the team that started this match lined up against Real Madrid in last season's Champions League final.

Klopp needs to rectify things immediately but the feeling persists that there is some kind of hangover they cannot shake.

Van Dijk disagreed, insisting that the key to turning the situation around is hard work and playing with expression.

But words are proving to be hollow for Liverpool and it seems they are not being taken on board by those in the stands.

The situation is not as bleak as that day seven years ago against Crystal Palace but the warning signs, big and bold, are there. It is going to take every bit of Klopp's acumen and his players' ability to turn it all around.

LIVERPOOL (4-3-3): Alisson 8; Alexander-Arnold 5, Matip 5, Van Dijk 5, Isimikas 5 (Milner 59mln, 5); Henderson 7 (Elliott 59, 7), Fabinho 5, Thiago 6 (Nunez 89); Salah 5, Firmino 7 (Jota 76), Carvalho 5 (Diaz 46, 6).

Scorers: Firmino 33, 54, Webster 63 (og). Booked: Alexander-Arnold.

Manager: Jurgen Klopp 5.
BRIGHTON (3-4-2-1): Sanchez 7; Veltman 7,
Dunk 7, Webster 7; March 7, Caicedo 7,
Mac Allister 7, Estupinan 7 (Laliana 76); Gross 7
(Mitoma 65, 6.5), TROSSARD 9 (Lamptey 87);
Welbeck 8, Scorer: Trossard 4, 17, 83.
Booked: Estupinan.

Manager: Roberto De Zerbi 7. Referee: Andy Madley 6. Attendance: 53,336.

Wilson shows Isak he's still the main man

ALLUM WILSON was not the striker whose name was on everybody's lips ahead of Newcastle's trip to Fulham.

The focus had been on whether former Magpie Aleksandar Mitrovic could continue his fine form against his old club and what impact the absence of record signing Alexander Isak would have on Eddie Howe's side.

The answers were 'no' and 'very little'. Mitrovic barely had a touch before he was forced off with an injury while Newcastle did not need their £63million striker leading the line.

Wilson (below), who was back from a five-week injury absence, scored after just 11 minutes to put Newcastle on course for their first away victory of the season.

There was a bit of rustiness to his game early on, with the striker hitting the post from five yards out in the fourth minute. He could have had a hat-trick before half-time after going close with another effort that flew just over the bar

'The one he's missed early on he'll probably be disappointed with,' Howe said. 'The goal that he did score is a typical striker's finish. He's in the right place at the right time to finish the move off 'He's a hugely

important part of our team, a focal point. We rely not just on his goals but his movement, his work rate. His appearance in the team gave us confidence.

Isak is not

KATHRYN BATTE

at Craven Cottage





Almiron 33, 57 S Longstaff 43

expected to be out for long and Wilson will have a fight on his hands to keep his place in the team. 'Knowing Callum as I do, I don't think anything really fazes him other than trying to be the best that he can be,' Howe said.

'He's got an incredible attitude to the game, an incredible way of looking at life and football. He will see it as healthy competition. It will inspire him to perform better because he knows he's got someone, plus Chris Wood, breathing down his neck and that's very healthy for the team.'

Wilson was not the only player to step up in another's absence. Miguel Almiron has started every game this season but with Newcastle missing the spark of injured Allan Saint-Maximin, they needed him to show more in the final third

In the 33rd minute, he delivered. Almiron raced on to a ball over the top from Bruno Guimaraes and hit a sublime volley into the top

corner. 'He's capable of doing magical things and that

was a magical goal,' Howe said. 'Bruno was involved again and they've got a really good understanding

'I'm delighted for Miggy — he's such an infectious character, so it was great to see."

It was an early goal-of-theseason contender but Almiron has often been criticised for missing the easy chances, so it was only right that his second goal was a tap-in at the back post.

That Wood and Joelinton were unused substitutes shows the depth Newcastle now have. It's a different story for Fulham, who also lost Layvin Kurzawa to injury after Mitrovic was forced off.

Silva said it was 'too early' to know how long either player will be out for. He now has eight players injured, while Nathaniel Chalobah will miss the next three games after his early red card for a reckless tackle on Sean Longstaff.



FULHAM (4-2-3-1): Leng 7; Mbabu 5 (Cairney 45min, 6), Tosin 5, Ream 5, Kurzawa 4 (Diop 45, 5), Reed 6, Chalobah 4; James 4 (Kebano 70, 6), Pereira 6, Decordova-Reid 5; Mitrovic 4 (Vinicius 37, 5). Booked, Reed, Mitrovic, Sent off: Chalobah. Scorer: Decordova-Reid 88 Manager: Marco SIVa 5.

NEWCASTLE (4-3-3): Pope 6; Trippier 7.5 (Lewis 83), Schar 7 (Lascelles 83), Botman 7, 8um 7.5 (Targett 82); Longstaff 8, Guimaraes 7.5 (Anderson 59, 7), Willock 7.5; ALMIRON 8.5, Murphy 7.5, Wilson 7.5 (Fraser 65, 6). Booked: None. Scorers: Wilson II, Almiron 33, 57, Longstaff 43. Manager: Eddle Howe 7.

Referee: Darren England 7. Att: 22,913.

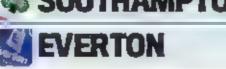
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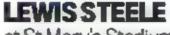
Lampard's Everton no longer running on empty

IT felt fitting that on London Marathon weekend. Everton almost had to crawl over the finish line to see out these three points. Ask Frank Lampard if he cares. His side are not at the stage where they can complain about how games are won. Crossing the line is all that matters That's no slight on Lampard's side — they were worthy winners. Everton were slow out of the blocks but well in control, and raced past Southampton with two goals in two minutes.

But what will have pleased Lampard most was the last 15 minutes — the fight, resilience and doggedness to survive an aerial bombardment from James Ward-Prowse's set-pieces. Two summer signings have been crucial to that, defensive duo Conor Coady and James Tarkowksi, as well as Jordan Pickford, enjoying his best form in an Everton shirt. 'We tried to bring in good people as well as good players,' said Lampard. 'It's a

SOUTHAMPTON





at St Mary's Stadium

process on and off the pitch to create a culture that's progressive. We can do a lot better. We should have won that game without needing to have 10 or 15 minutes of biting our nails at the end.' That will come. But Everton would not have won this game last season. This was just their second away win since August 2021, and the first time they had come from 1-0 down to win away since February

2020. For now, it's time to give Lampard —

and the recruitment team — due credit.

seventh straight game undefeated, the

The 44-year-old has guided his team to a

FRANK IS LOOKING UP

EVERTON are now unbeaten in six league games (won two, drawn four). It's their longest unbeaten run in a season since they went seven undefeated in 2017-18.

THIS was their second away win of 2022 - they've won two of their last 21 on the road.

best run of his tenure. They have signed leaders to go with their exciting young talents such as Anthony Gordon, who was too ill to start this match. Another good bit of business has been Amadou Onana, the 6ft 4in box-to-box midfielder who supported Neal Maupay with late darts into the penalty area. But Lampard singled out Everton's supporters as the

man of the match here. The fans have fought against the train strikes and cost of living crisis to be here,' he said. 'They appreciate seeing the character in the team that they want and deserve. As for Southampton, there were boos at full time. That's now 35 points dropped from winning positions since the start of last season — more than any other team

 and this young side must improve fast if they are to stay in the division. SOUTHAMPTON (4-2-2-2): Bazunu 5; Walker-Peters 7, Bella-Kotchap 6, Caleta-Car 6, Larlos 6 (Perraud 60min, 6); Ward-Prowse 6, Maitland-Niles 6 (Edozie 67, 6); 5

Armstrong 6 (Elyounoussi 89), Aribo 6; Adams 6, Mara 5 (A Armstrong 60, 6). Booked: A Armstrong. Scorer: Aribo 49. Manager: Ralph Hasenhutti 5.

EVERTON (4-3-3): Pickford 7; Coleman 7.5, Tarkowski 7.5, COADY 8, Mykolenko 7; Onana 7.5 (Davies 74, 6), Iwobi 7, Gueye 6.5; Gray 7 (Doucoure 90), Maupay 6.5 (Rondon 89), McNeil 7 (Gordon 74, 6.5). Booked: Gueye. Scorers: Coady 52, McNeil 54.

Manager: Frank Lampard 8.

Referee: Andre Marriner 6. Attendance: 30,510.



Brazilian Ronaldo who taught Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang unforgettable and early lesson about the value of efficiency as a striker.

Chelsea striker Aubameyang said: 'I will always remember when Carlo Ancelotti had a go at him about his fitness and Ronaldo said, "What do you want me to do, run or score goals?" Ancelotti said, "Score goals" and the next time Ronaldo scored twice!'

'That is part of the character and as a striker you need that because you have to be strong mentally.

Aubameyang's days at AC Milan were on his mind ahead of a Champions League reunion with his first senior club on Wednesday, where he got to witness the likes of Ronaldo up close.

'At that time, the team was really strong,' Aubameyang remembered. 'Ronaldo, Maldini, Nesta. I was very young. That is why I chose to go on loan (to Dijon, Lille and Monaco) for a few years.

'No, no! I was not demanding Ronaldo's place. I was just trying to improve and looking at him to learn as much as I could. I was just a young kid among all those stars, just playing and training, trying to get as much as I could and pick up all these things in my career.

"To tell the truth, Ronaldo was a bit fat by then! But he was still

the best.

The tricks of the trade Aubameyang learned from Ronaldo and Co have served him well during his prolific career and were evident again as he opened his Chelsea account at Crystal Palace.

His performance was improved from his first two in Chelsea colours, if not all action, but it is goals that win games and he scored the his side's first at Selhurst Park. Aubameyang was

learned from the great Ronaldo, reveals Auba

AUBAMEYANG

610.....club games

311.....goals

148..minutes per goal

Chelsea striker was at Milan with Brazilian legend

no longer wearing the protective was mainly his goal that was the face mask he sported in his first two appearances, an indication that full sharpness is nearer after the terrifying violent robbery at his former home in Barcelona in which he suffered a broken jaw

The master and his pupil: Ronaldo

(left) and Aubameyang EPA/GETTY IMAGES

So too were some of his underthe-radar contributions but it clearest sign.

His new manager Graham Potter was full of praise for Aubameyang, saying. 'He's been working hard as well for us. He's had a difficult summer for different reasons. He's had a quite traumatic experience and the way he has handled himself has been A1.'

It was a regular assessment of Potter's Brighton side that for all their possession and attractive. progressive football what they so often missed was a ruthless finisher to make it all count.

'A 20-goal striker? There were only two of them in the Premier League, and we should sign one for Brighton, on our wage

structure, for less than £20million .. yeah, yeah,' Potter said with the smile of a man well used to hearing the theory.

But Chelsea do have the finances for that calibre of player and Potter has inherited one in Aubameyang.

A proven frontman who has reached the 20-goal mark at club level in seven of the last eight seasons and is among the handful to have done so in the Premier League — twice in his case at Arsenal in recent times

Can he do it once again at Chelsea and show his finishing and instincts remain as sharp as ever at 33 years old? That is the challenge and the nature of his first Chelsea goal was encouraging.

In the first half Chelsea enjoyed plenty of the ball in Palace territory and created a couple of decent opportunities though ones that were not on target.

Enter Aubameyang. It was barely an opportunity when Thiago Silva nodded Reece James's pass in his direction. Aubameyang was being closely marshalled by Joel Ward and his run was taking him away from goal. But with minimal fuss he gave the Palace defender a nudge to earn some space, let the ball bounce across him, spun sharply and buried a volley past Vicente Guaita in a blur of expert movement and finishing.

It was something out of nothing and a chance taken clinically without even looking at the goal to cancel out Odsonne Edouard's Palace opener and before Conor Gallagher's 90th-minute winner.

It was Aubameyang's main involvement in the game but also a decisive one. Having a knack for making the most of minimal involvement in such fashion can never be a bad thing. Ronaldo would doubtless agree.

CRYSTAL PALACE (4-3-3): Gualta 6; Clyne 6 (Tomkins 44min, 7), Ward 7, Guehl 7, Mitchell 7; Olise 7, Doucoure 7 (Hughes 84), Eze 7.5 (Schlupp 74, 6); Ayew 7, Edouard 7 (Mateta 84), Zaha 6.5. Scorer: Edouard 7. Booked: Edouard, Vielra. Manager: Patrick Vieira 7.

CHELSEA (4-2-2-2): Kepa 7; JAMES 8, Fofana 5, Sliva 6.5, Chilwell 6; Kovacic 6.5, Jorginho 5.5 (Loftus-Cheek 56, 6); Mount 6.5 (Pullsic 84); Havertz 6 (Gallagher 76); Aubameyang 7.5 (Broja 75, 6), Sterling 7. Scorers: Aubameyang 38, Gallagher 90. Booked: Silva, Mount, Kovacic. Manager: Graham Potter 8. Referee: Chris Kavanagh 5.

Lage pays price as £100m spend fails to spark Wolves

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BRUNO LAGE has become the third manager to lose his job in the Premier League after he was sacked by Wolves yesterday.

Saturday's defeat at West Ham was Wolves' fourth of a campaign in which they have scored just three times in the League, despite owners Fosun backing Lage with £100million in the summer transfer window.

Wolves are in the bottom three and their next fixture Is at Chelsea on Saturday. They have been studying possible successors but have not ruled out placing a coach already on the staff, such as Under 21 coach James Collins or his Under 18 counterpart Steve Davis, in charge for Saturday's match.

MailOnline reported yesterday morning that the Portuguese was under significant pressure after winning only one of his past 15 league games across this season and last, and Wolves moved to dismiss him later that day.

WEST HAM WOLVES By TOM COLLOMOSSE and KIERAN GILL at the London Stadium

While Lage has had little luck with injuries — summer signing Sasa Kalajdzic damaged knee ligaments on his debut while fellow striker Raul Jimenez remains sidelined — the form since last spring has been alarming. Pedro Martins, the former Olympiacos coach, is targeting a move to the Premier League. Martins is thought to have links to Jorge Mendes, head of the powerful Gestifute agency who have a strong relationship with Fosun. Both Lage and his predecessor Nuno Espirito Santo are Gestifute clients, as are many of the Wolves squad.

WHERE IT ALL WENT WRONG



Days in charge: 480

Transfer spend: £142.6m

Players signed: 22

Chairman Jeff Shi said in a statement last night: 'I honestly have no doubts about Bruno's ability, and I'm sure he will succeed elsewhere, however the team's form and performances over the last few months mean that we have no choice but to act.'

Lage was brought to Molineux at the start of last season to replace Nuno, and had Wolves in the race for European football for the first half of the campaign before their form collapsed. He has

tried to bring a more attacking style this season, switching from a back three to a back four and allowing club legend Conor Coady to join Everton on loan. But Wolves have looked toothless for much of the campaign, even though they have top talent like Ruben Neves. Matheus Nunes and Pedro Neto in their squad.

Attendance: Not provided.

They also brought in former Chelsea forward Diego Costa on a free transfer following the injuries to Kalajdzic and Jimenez. Neto, meanwhile, faces a spell on the sidelines after sustaining an ankle injury at West Ham.

WEST HAM (4-2-3-1): Fabianski 7; Kehrer 7, Dawson 7, Zouma 7, Cresswell 7; Soucek 7, Rice 7; BOWEN 7.5, Paqueta 7 (Emerson 74min, 6), Cornet 6.5 (Fornals 34, 7); Scamacca 8 (Antonio 66, 6). Scorers: Scamacca 29, Bowen 54. Booked: Rice, Cresswell. Manager: David Moyes 7.

WOLVES (3-4-2-1): Sa 5; Jonny 5, Neves 5.5, Kilman 5; Sernedo 5 (Traore 73, 6), Nunes 5 (Campbell 73, 6), Moutinho 5, Ait-Nouri 5; Neto 5 (Traore 24, 5.5), Podence 5: Guedes 5 (Costa 58, 6), Booked: Neves. Moutinho, Manager: Bruno Lage 5.

Referee: Paul Tierney 6. Attendance: Not provided.

Who's out first in the sack race?

Rodgers and Cooper fight for survival in huge clash of early back-markers

By TOM COLLOMOSSE

RENDAN RODGERS and Steve Cooper are two of the best British coaches in the business yet both know defeat tonight would leave their positions in great danger.

With Leicester chairman Aiyawatt

With Leicester chairman Aiyawatt Srivaddhanaprabha due to attend his first game since the home defeat by Southampton on August 20, Rodgers will be under scrutiny like never before during his three-and-a-half years as manager.

Lose this derby to Nottingham Forest and it will be one point from eight games for the Foxes. It is hard to see how Rodgers survives a run like that in the long term.

In the other dugout, Cooper's circumstances look just as precarious. The Welshman was probably the manager of the season in England last term, as he took over in September when Forest were bottom of the Championship, and led them to promotion via the play-offs

Yet delivering Forest's first topflight campaign this century may not buy Cooper time. Seven matches and 22 signings later, his future is uncertain. Owner Evangelos Marinakis has employed six permanent managers since taking control of Forest in 2017, and has already shown a ruthless streak this season.

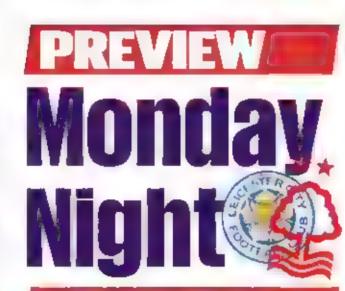
He hired Carlos Corberan to coach Greek giants Olympiacos — Marinakis's other club — on August 1. On September 18 and after only 11 competitive fixtures, the former Huddersfield manager was sacked. Cooper will have noticed.

'I speak to the owner after most games and conversations have been normal,' said Cooper. 'There's been no change. They probably feel the same as me — some disappointment in the previous few games. We've signed a lot of players and it's a tough challenge to become the team we want to be.'

Cooper and Rodgers were briefly at Liverpool together between 2012-13, when Rodgers was manager and Cooper the Under 18 coach. The pair respect one another and Rodgers understands the task Cooper faces.

Tt's always difficult that first year back in the Premier League,' said Rodgers, who led Swansea to the top flight in 2011. 'Steve has done a brilliant job to get them in the Premier League. To then create a cohesive unit and team with so many new faces is a challenge.'

Leicester's owners are measured by nature and chose not to remove Rodgers, who has an eight-figure compensation clause in his contract, after heavy defeats at Brighton and Tottenham before the international



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break. But patience is not infinite and the hierarchy have been pondering the post-Rodgers future. They admire Brentford boss Thomas Frank, with Sean Dyche and Dean Smith also possible contenders

Midlands rivals Wolves' sacking of Bruno Lage yesterday could also have a ripple effect.

The atmosphere among Leicester's players has not become as bad as it was in the final days of Claudio Ranieri's tenure, or Claude Puel's. And Rodgers is confident in his ability to turn things around.

'Believe it or not, it's easy (to block out the noise),' he said. 'You learn to regulate it. If you're bottom of the league, you're not going to be flavour of the month. I love working with these players. I believe we will come good and get into a good position.

'I see these players work and that gives me strength. I also know I'm the best person to lead this team forward and that's something we will do in the coming weeks.'

Where Rodgers has lamented the lack of transfer activity at Leicester, who signed only one outfield player this summer, Cooper's problem is that there has been too much.

A recruitment drive at the City Ground was essential after five loan players did not return, while a further 14 departed either permanently or on loan. The number of new signings has, however, left Cooper and his staff playing catchup as they try to work out their strongest team in the heat of battle.

Forest have played well in attack at times but looked seriously vulnerable at the back. They were beaten at home in consecutive games by Bournemouth and Fulham despite taking the lead in both.

'The two defeats in the games before the international break were not good but it's part of the challenge and we've got to work hard now to put things right,' he said.

Leicester have the squad to pull them out of trouble and, if Forest's new signings click, they should improve, too. The question now is whether Rodgers and Cooper will be there to see it through.



Pressure building: bosses Rodgers (left) and Cooper REX/PA

PREMIER LEAGUE BOTTOM FIVE...

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FOREST have lost their last four league games. They last suffered five-straight league defeats in a single season in January 2004.

No Premier League side have conceded more goals from set pieces (excluding pens) than Leicester and Forest. All five conceded by Forest have been via corners, a league-high in 2022-23.







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V	18	Wolves	8	1	3	4	3	9	-6	6
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SATURDAY

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MOST ASSISTS

8 De Bruyne (Man City)

4 Silva (Man City), Saka (Arsenal)

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WEEK AHEAD

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TOMORROW (7.45 unless stated)

GROUP A Liverpool v Rangers.....(8.0) Live on BT Sport 2 GROUP B Club Brugge v Atletico Madrid (8 0) FC Porto v Bayer Leverkusen... (8.0) Bayern Munich v Pizen (5.45) Inter Milan v Barcelona...... (8.0) E Frankfurt v Tottenham....... (8-0) Live on BT Sport 3 Marselle v Sporting.,.....(5.45) Live on BT Sport 1 SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP Bristol City v Coventry..... Cardiff v Blackburn (8.0) Luton v Huddersfield...... Reading v Norwich......(8.0) Sheff Utd v QPR..... Sunderland v Blackpool...... SKY BET LEAGUE ONE Burton Albion v Fleetwood Tn...... Cheitenham v Bolton..... Ipswich v Cambridge Utd Plymouth v Sheff Wed...... SKY BET LEAGUE TWO Hartlepool v Doncaster..... Stevenage v Sutton Utd...... Swindon v Newport County Walsall v Northampton ______ PAPA JOHN'S TROPHY NORTHERN GROUP A:

Harrogate Tri v Everton (7.0).

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(7.0), SOUTHERN GROUP E: Bristol Rovers v

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Middlesbrough v Birmingham......

(7.45 unless stated)

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Anderlecht v West Ham (5.45), Sikebor v FCSB (5.45). WILLIAM T WOLLD CUP QUALIFIER Scotland v Austria

Scotland v Austria (7.35) Wales v Bosnia-Herzegovina .. (7.15)

FRIDAY

FA WOMEN'S LEAGUE CUP

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ANTONIO COLAK
continued his impressive
start to his RANGERS
career with a first-half
double in Saturday's 4-0
win at 10-man HEARTS.
The Croatian took his tally
to 11 goals since joining
from Malmo in the
summer and kept his side
two points off leaders
CELFIC, who beat
MOTHERWELL 2-1.

IT'S SAD FOREST SPREE MAY COST COOPER IAN LADYMAN COLUMN: PAGE 16

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MATT BARLOW

at bet365 Stadium

STOKE WATFORD Sarr 12, Sema 64, **Davis 78, Bayo 84**

OUR goals, three points and his job secure for now, Slaven Bilic allowed himself to savour a triumphant return to English football and consider what he might achieve as Watford manager.

'Good start, well deserved,' said Bilic, the former West Ham and West Bromwich boss, who seems to be working his way backwards through the alphabet of clubs with an over-inflated sense of where they belong in the grand scheme of things.

At Watford, he is the 16th permanent manager in little more than a decade under the ownership of Gino Pozzo.

The rules are clear enough. Bilic must win instant promotion back to the Premier League. Shape up as if he might fail and his fate will be the same as predecessor Rob Edwards, sacked after just 10 Championship games.

Like the managerial equivalent of a mayfly, the life cycle is accelerated at Watford so it's best to enjoy the good days. Like this one.

'Clean sheet, strikers scoring goals,' said 54-year-old Bilic. 'Stoke is always tough, a team in form, on the up under Alex Neil. Everything was there. Only one game but something to build on.

They needed confidence. They needed belief. You can tell them with words but they needed proof on the pitch and after the second goal, they became completely free to enjoy playing football.

'Our front players and wide players have proper quality so this shouldn't be a fluke. We can copy and paste this. Nobody did something I didn't expect them to do.'

A tilt at promotion, then Slaven? 'Based on this, yes,' he agreed. 'We have potential and a squad

Bilic gets off to blistering start



who know what it means to go to Stoke or Preston because they were there two years ago.'

Watford took the lead in the 12th minute, a fine cross by Hassane Kamara headed in by Ismaila Sarr, who looked offside on the video replays but there was no flag, no VAR and the goal stood. Billic swept his fist through the air in a giant arc, like Shane Warne celebrating a wicket, and the away fans in a corner serenaded the new boss with an ironic chorus of a popular song about getting sacked in the morning. Curious how managerial instability should become so integral to the identity of football's original family club, once built upon solid sense and the steadying influence of Graham Taylor.

Sarr headed another cross from Kamara against a post as Watford

threatened to stretch clear. Stoke goalkeeper Joe Bursik saved the follow-up and pushed another effort by Ken Sema on to the same post, after Aden Flint's mistake.

Stoke displayed more purpose in the second half without creating clear chances. The closest they came was Lewis Baker's free-kick, saved by Daniel Bachmann, a goalkeeper who spent six years at Stoke without breaking into the team.

Bachmann was jeered by the home crowd after his antics in the first half, when he over-reacted to slight contact from Liam Delap and collected a yellow card for wasting time at 1-0.

At the other end, Sema scored an untidy second. Hamza Choudhury, on loan from Leicester, clipped a hopeful pass into a crowded box after Stoke only

partially cleared a free-kick. Keinan Davis stretched out a leg to pull it down but was smothered by Bursik. The ball spilled to Sema, whose first effort was blocked by Ben Wilmot but the second attempt crossed the line, scored from a seated position.

Stoke fell apart and the natives grew restless. Thousands hurried for the exits and those who stayed made their feelings clear as one basic mistake followed another and Watford took advantage.

Davis scored the third, a low shot slammed in from an angle, and two Bilic substitutes linked up for the fourth, Imran Louza's cross converted by Vakoun Bayo at the back post.

'Not good enough in any way shape or form,' fumed Stoke boss Neil, who was at the centre of the first of the Championship's seven managerial changes so far this season when he replaced Michael O'Neill in August.

There will be more in this most cut-throat of competitions. Bilic, at least, should live to fight another day.

STOKE (3-5-2): Bursik 6; Wilmot 5.5, Flint 5, Fox 5; Fosu 5.5, Baker 6, Laurent 6, Smallbone 5, Sterling 6 (Clarke 77min); Delap 6, Gayle 5 (Campbell 72, 5). Booked: Fosu, Delap. Manager: Alex Neil 5. WATFORD (4-2-3-1); Bachmann 6; Gaspar 6. Sierralta 6.5, Kabasele 6, Kamara 7; Choudhury 6.5, Kayembe 7; SARR 8 (Bayo 80), Asprilla 5 (Louza 59, 6), Sema 7.5 (Hungbo 87); Davis 7 (Gosling 87). Scorers: Sarr 12, Sema 64, Davis 78, Bayo 84. Booked: Bachmann, Asprilla, Sierralta, Choudhury, Manager: Slaven Blilc 7. Referee: Josh Smith 6. Attendance: 19,905.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE ROUND-UP

WEST BROMWICH ALBION fans burned on Steve Bruce on Saturday and called for him to be sacked after a last-minute 3-2 home defeat by **SWANSEA** left the club languishing in 21st place. Many inside the Hawthorns vented their fury at Bruce after Michael Obafemi's winner, which left Albion with one win from their opening 11 games. 'I don't expect reassurances from the

owners. I will get on with the job I have been given,' a dejected Bruce (below) said. 'We need to turn it around and I'm convinced we will. At the moment things are tough. I can understand the fans' frustration since I walked through the door. 💝 🐃 'They have been great towards me but you can feel a frustration because of results. Apart from the first 10 games of last season, they have not seen enough wins in two years.' A thrilling contest saw Matthew Sorinola put

Swansea ahead after

six minutes, only for

Jake Livermore and

Grady Diangana

Fans turn on Bruce as Albion throw it away

goals to put West Brom on course for victory. Olivier Ntcham levelled for the Welsh side and, after West Brom's Karlan Grant saw his penalty saved by

Steven Benda, Obafemi settled it. Troy Deeney earned BIRMINGHAM a point at Championship leaders SHEFFIELD UNITED. The home side looked on course for a fifth successive victory when Oli McBurnie netted his fifth goal in six matches. But Deeney finished from Tahith a four games.

Chong's cross to extend Blues' unbeaten run to That allowed **NORWICH** to move within one point of the top after a 1-0 victory at

BLACKPOOL. Teemu Pukki scored the winner in the first half to make it four goals in four games.

READING continue their positive start to the season and consigned new **HUDDERSFIELD** manager Mark Fotheringham to defeat in his

first match. Tom McIntyre headed home then Huddersfield goalkeeper Lee Nicholls diverted Jeff Hendricks' cross into his own net. Yakou Meite's late goal sealed it. with Tom Lees grabbing a consolation in added time. Bottom club COVENTRY picked up their first Championship win of the season as Viktor Gyokeres settled their meeting with

fellow strugglers

MIDDLESBINDUGH

in League One, Paul Warne got off to a winning start as **DERBY** manager as they beat CAMBRIDGE 2-0 on the road with two goals from James Collins. 'It's a good start but that's all it is,' said Warne, who left Rotherham to take on the challenge of guiding Derby back into the second tier. 'Every game we set up to win. Draws are OK but not ideal.' IPSWICH beat PORTSMOUTH 3-2 in a pulsating battle of the promotion hopefuls. Portsmouth went into the game unbeaten but goals by old boy Marcus Harness, Freddie Ladapo and Wes Burns gave Ipswich the points after Colby Bishop had twice equalised from the penalty spot. PLYMOUTH remain top thanks to an eighth-minute penalty from Sam Cosgrove (left) at WYCOMBE. In League Two, leaders LEYTON **ORIENT** saw their unbeaten start ended in a 2-1 home loss to **NEWPORT.** They had won nine

out of 10 league games but were stunned by first-half goals from Will Evans and Omar Bogle, Aaron Drinan pulled one back but Orient could not find an equaliser.

LADYMAN

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TEVE Cooper's first notable success as a manager was winning the Under 17 World Cup with England in 2017.

The tournament was in India and not logistically easy, but over a month Cooper steered 21 boys to a highly significant age-group triumph.

Talk now to some of those players — men like Phil Foden and Jadon Sancho — about Cooper and they will speak of his coaching, but first his ability to unite a group, to steer a disparate squad of players uniformly along one path.

Many of those players stayed close. Some — such as Conor Gallagher, Rhian Brewster and Marc Guehi — joined Cooper at Swansea City on loan. There's an enduring bond.

Cooper is now the manager of Nottingham Forest and things are different. The Welshman joined Forest last September with the club bottom of the Championship table and took them to the Premier League and the last eight of the FA Cup. It was a thrilling ride and those who were part of it talk in simple terms of how he did it.

'It was about unity,'
midfielder Ryan Yates told
me back in August. 'He
brought everybody together.
None of my managers had
done that here before.'

At the start, Cooper met with members of Brian Clough's great teams. It wasn't a publicity thing. He wanted to know what Forest meant. He wanted to learn a

THE north London derby was deservedly won by Arsenal and they have one clear advantage over Tottenham. Under Mikel Arteta (right), Arsenal are in the early stages of a long-term project. Tottenham? Coach Antonio Conte never stays anywhere longer than two or three seasons, so it's harder to say the same.

Sad that Forest's shopping spree may cost Cooper

little of how Clough did it. He wanted to steal a little bit of that and, in his own way, he did.

Of the squad that took Forest up for the first time in 24 years, nine players appeared in more than 38 league games. Cooper's astonishing success was built around a consistent spine, a group of like-minded men. It had been exactly the same at Swansea.

And now, in the Premier League, things have changed. Forest's squad had to be overhauled. There were too many loan players. Others were out of contract.

Forest's response — driven in part by owner Evangelos Marinakis and his son Miltiadis — has been to buy and keep buying. During the summer months, it seemed ambitious Now it just seems self-defeating.

Forest have signed 22 players at a cost of £150million. The team who face Leicester at the King Power Stadium

tonight will feature three — maybe four — of the team who won last May's play-off final. How Cooper is supposed to make that work is hard to fathom.

He has remained publicly supportive of the club's policy but what alternative does he have? To say otherwise would bring him a heap of publicity a quiet, reserved man does not need.

But no manager would wish to manage under these circumstances in Europe's most competitive league.

Coaches whatever their respective strengths—always need a core group on whom they can rely. Cooper is still trying to find out who should be in his. It is the equivalent of starting pre-season in September rather than July.

The 42-year-old has done what he can to maintain some consistency. Yates, an academy product, is vice-captain. Joe Worrall, a Nottingham boy, is captain.

But Forest's squad looks like it has been put together in a hurry simply because it has. Many of the foundations and principles that took Forest places last season are now under threat.

Cooper's club skipper last season, for example, was Lewis Grabban, a 33-year-old forward who didn't always play. But the common purpose then was such that he remained invested and was able to come off the bench and score a goal that beat Arsenal in the FA Cup. These are the little things that help a team tick over and succeed.

Forest — on a run of four successive league defeats — do not look like a cohesive team now. How can they?

And the loudest noise is talk of Cooper's future. They say they may sack Forest's miracle man.

How predictable. How reactionary. How very sad.

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WERE it not for the Nations League, England's World Cup preparations would have comprised a couple of lame friendlies at Wembley.

The chances are Gareth Southgate's team would have won them, just as they beat Peru before the 2014 World Cup and Nigeria and Costa Rica prior to the last one.

Those games tell you nothing. Players coast through them trying not to get injured. Last week's games against Italy and Germany were different. They were competitive and did tell us something, even if we didn't like it.

Whatever happens in Qatar, the players who featured over the last 10 days will have learned something and be better for the experience. It's a good competition.

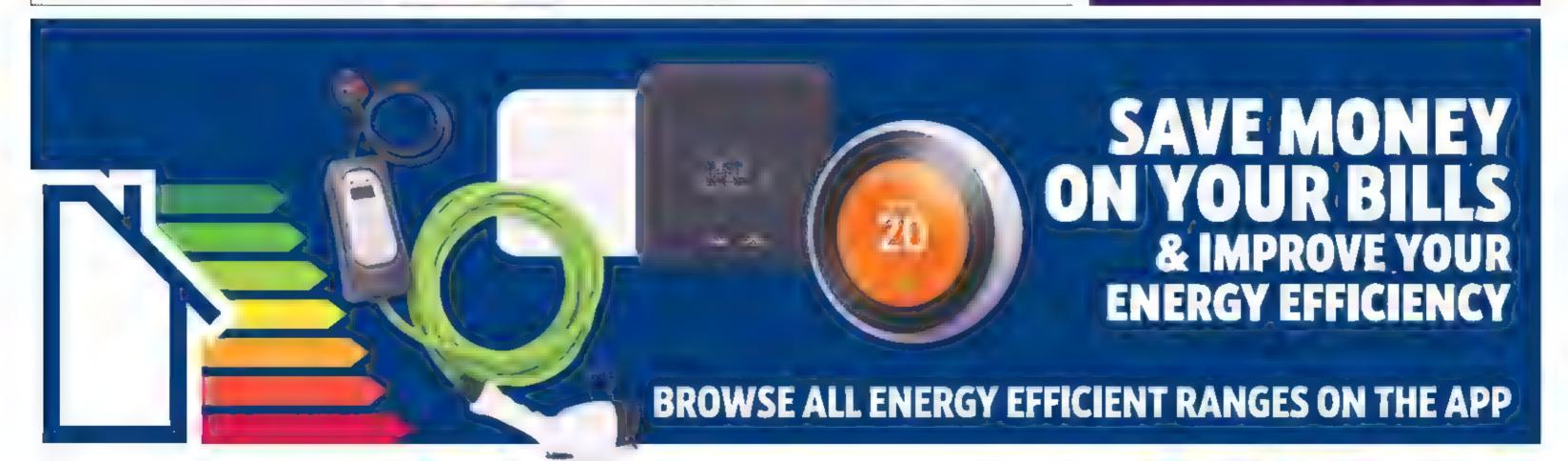


What Gareth can't say about Trent...

THERE is no more boring debate than the one about Liverpool's Trent Alexander-Arnold and England.

Gareth Southgate doesn't pick him because he isn't as defensively sound as the alternatives. Southgate cannot say this for fear of the headlines that would follow, but it's the truth. So in order for the England manager to select the Liverpool player, he would have to tear up a system he believes in and build a new one to accommodate him. The World Cup is 48 days away, so this won't happen. Nor should it.

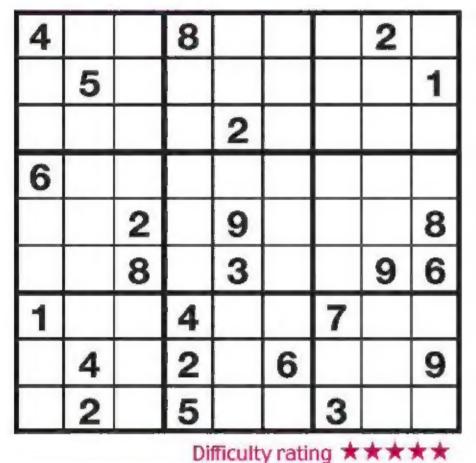
NOW we are told players want rid of VAR, but the truth is more simple. What they really want gone are decisions they don't benefit from.



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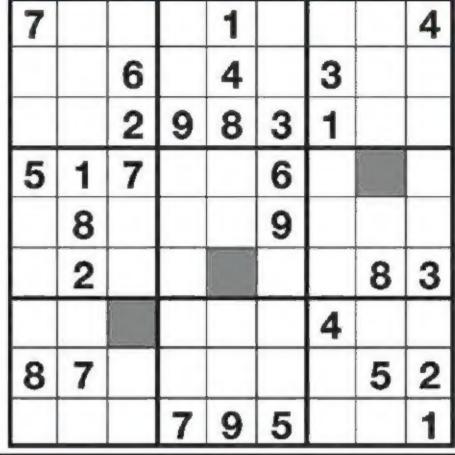
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WRITE YOUR LETTERS IN THESE SQUARES Mon Tue

ACROSS

- 7 A large, edible vellowflowered plant of the
- parsley family (6) 8 Market town in southern Lincolnshire that contains a statue to physicist Isaac Newton (8)
- 9 SS ____, ocean liner that was withdrawn from service by P&O in 1997 (8)
- 10 Les, English comedian who quest-hosted Countdown In August 2022 (6)
- 11 A runway without a normal terminal or other passenger facilities (8) 12 Not transparent or hard
- to understand (6) 13 A rapid or irregular heartbeat due to
- agitation, exertion or Illness (fl) 18 Libyan city where the Allies surrendered
- to German general Erwin Rommel In 1942 (6) 20 Informal term for a mean
- or miserly person (8) 22 Dave, English stand-up
- comedian born in 1971, who created Googlewhack Adventures (6)
- 23 Ruminant animai whose species include the nilgal and blackbuck (8)
- 24 City in northern France noted for Its Gothic Sainte-Pierre cathedral (8)
- 25 Paul, novelist and essayist whose works include The New York Trilogy (6)

DOWN

1 European country that includes the cities of iasi and Timisoara (7)

SEE BELOW

- 2 Hector, pirate played by Geoffrey Rush In the Pirates Of The Caribbean film series (8)
- 3 A mischievous or troublesome child (6)
- 4 A low-growing plant of the pink family with small white flowers (8) 5 A group of lines forming
- a basic metrical unit in a poem (6) 6 ____ Evans, English actor who played Corey Brent
- In Coronation Street (7) 8 Expression meaning 'to resort to an

Inadequate remedy

- in desperation' (5,2,6) 14 Kitty, woman who married the 1st Duke of Wellington in Dublin in 1806 (8)
- 15 To be far superior to (8) Bogey March,
- one often whistled and featuring in 1957 film The Bridge On The River Kwai (7)
- 17 Nickname of Newcastle United FC (7)
- 19 A commotion or noisy disturbance (6)
- City, home of the superhero Batman (6)

SOLUTION TOMORROW

WORD WHEEL

YOU have ten minutes to find as many words as possible using the letters in the wheel. Each word must G use the hub letter and at least three others. and letters may be used only once. You

M can't use plurals, foreign words or proper nouns. Verbs ending in 's' permitted. Clue for today's nine-letter word: Woman mooing is relaxing. RATING: 8 words, average; 12, good; 16, very good; 18 or more, excellent. SOLUTION TOMORROW

SUDOKU X



PUT 1-6 once in each row, column, diagonal (highlighted to form an X) and horizontal 3x2 box (ruled), SOLUTION TOMORROW

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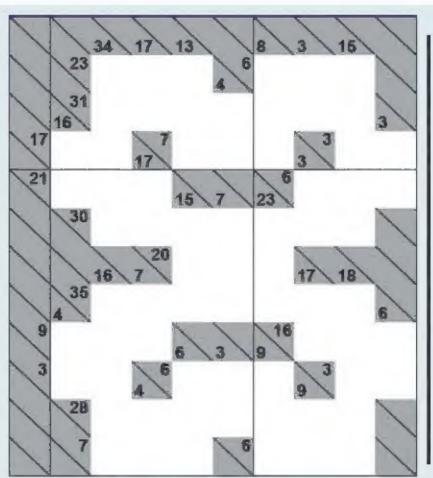
numbers. The solution to clue number 1 starts from the given letter.

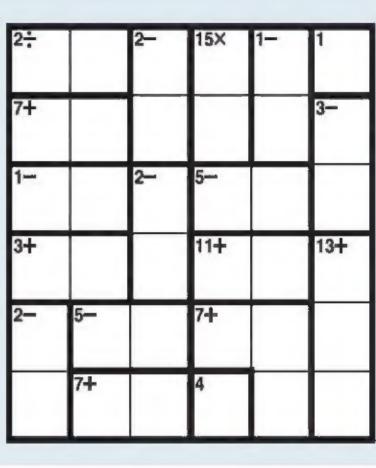
- 1. Humble
- 2. Empire
- 3. Agile 4. Keg
- 5. Task
- 6. Restricted
- 7. Laboured
- Cauldron
- 9. Fringe
- 10. Caches
- 11. Go back on
- 12. Makes law

SOLUTION: PULLOUT BACK PAGE

KAKURO

FILL in the blank squares of the grid using only the numbers 1 to 9, without repeating any number in any line of blank squares. The lines must be filled in with numbers which add up to the total in the shaded box at the top or beginning of each line. A number in the bottom half of a shaded box gives a downwards total; in the top half, it's a horizontal total. SOLUTION TOMORROW





MASTERQUIZ

1. What is a sweetsop?

LAY tracks to

train to travel

from village A

to village B. The numbers

indicate how many sections

of rail go in each row and column.

straight rails and

curved rails. The

inere are only

track cannot

cross itself.

SOLUTION

TOMORROW

enable the

- 2. Which British publisher and humanitarian co-founded the Left Book Club?
- 3. In which upper Midwest U.S. state is the city of Fargo?
- 4. The Michelin Guide recently awarded its first stars to a number of restaurants in which country?

TRAIN TRACKS

A

- 5. Which U.S. physicist is credited with creating and building the world's first liquid-fuelled rocket?
- 6. The disease pellagra is caused by a deficiency of which form of vitamin B?

SOLUTION: PULLOUT BACK PAGE

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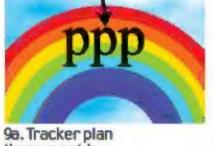
la. Glad group to be one of the Lillales? (4,6)

11a. Chalkless condition from

which to start again? (1,5,5)

1d. Swapping within a

former alteration? (2,8)



thrown out by



16a. Leo to address problem of rider being in pain (6,4)



4d. Dampens down the



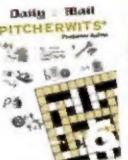
10d. Told off (and cooked?) (7)

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SOLUTION TOMORROW

spaces on the grid.

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10 11 12 13 14 15 16

MINDBENDER

- 1. If Erica gives Tomasz three of her bonbons, they will have the same number of sweets each. If Tomasz gives three bonbons to Erica, then he will have a fifth of the number that Erica has. How many bonbons have they got between them?
- 2. What connects cottage, humble and pork?
- 3. Which former country might be on a GUN ARRAY HIATUS?
- 4. Which is the odd one out: Nicholas Nickleby, Adam Bede, Silas Marner, Daniel Deronda?
- Using the chemical symbols, which Suffolk town can be made from iodine, phosphorus, sulphur, tungsten, lodine, carbon and hydrogen?

SOLUTION: PULLOUT BACK PAGE

ACROSS

- Picture Clue
- 7 Widen out into a Northumbrian king (5)

6d. Rough border that's kind

of decked with glee (6-4)

- 8 Strong point to keep sweetheart (5)
- 9 Picture Clue 11 Picture Clue
- 14 Content of Jungian theories that is massive (5)
 - 15 Totted up 500? Dead silly! (5)
 - 16 Picture Clue
 - DOWN 1 Picture Clue
- 2 A wino transformed into a statesman! (5)
- 3 Marsh that can be a bit offensive (3) 4 Picture Clue
- 5 Insect stage from Etna, say? (5)
- 6 Picture Clue 10 Picture Clue
- 12 Am all upset at South American creature (5)
- 13 Fraud I object, in part, to being sound (5)
- 15 You exist in 0.5, say (3)

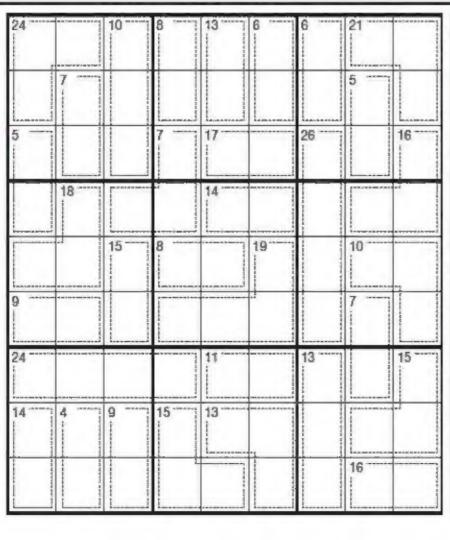
FRIDAY'S SOLUTION: ACROSS: 1 Swing around. 5 Mac. 7 Ire. 8 Hearken. 10 Chancel. 11 Chicago. 14 Age. 15 Mug. 16 Out and about. DOWN: 1 Some time ago. 2 Gala. 3 Rick. 4 Deep insight. 6 Choc ice. 7 In bloom. 9 Runic. 12 Icon. 13 Aria.

KILLER SUDOKU

FILL in squares in the grid so each row, column and each 3x3 square contains all digits from 1 to 9. Each set of cells joined by dotted lines must add up to the number in the top-left corner. Numbers can't be repeated within each set of cells.

SOLUTION TOMORROW

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MAILWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Small
- vegetables 5 A soft
- bread bun 8 Abbey recess
- 9 Be of help
- 11 Banal
- 12 Peter Pan
- character
- 13 Put together 15 Noisy sleeper
- 16 Routine 20 Tease
- 21 Medic, informally 23 Postman ---
- children's TV character
- 24 Hastened 26 Apparition
- 28 Renounce 30 Water

slide

- 33 Colourless liquid
- 34 Indian currency
- 35 At any time
- 36 Positive response
- 37 Smaller amount
 - DOWN
 - 2 Incident
 - 3 Daisy, e.g.

 - 6 Help
 - 7 Work 9 Pointed
 - implement 10 Swerve
 - 1 Edible root
 - 4 Looked 5 Embargo

 - 11 Chores 14 Colour

17 Narcotics

18 Rags 19 Upper atmosphere 22 Type of yarn 25 Appointment

20

27 Tropical plant 29 Buzzing insect 30 Weep 31 Shade

37

32 Good times SOLUTION TOMORROW

17 18 19

1. Which continent is the mango native to?

- 2. Going Underground was the first UK No. 1 single by which band?
- 3. Which U.S. actress won the 2022 Emmy for Lead Actress in a Comedy Series?
- 4. Which sport was invented in 1891 by Canadian teacher James Naismith?
- 5. In which activity do participants use GPS to track down hidden containers containing small trading items?
- SOLUTION: PULLOUT **BACK PAGE**

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KENKEN

EACH row and column should contain 1 to 6 without repeats. Numbers in cages must combine to produce the target number shown at start of that cage using, in any order, the mathematical sign given. Singlebox cages can be filled with the number given. SOLUTION



FIT the scrambled letters of the given word into the grid to form six five-letter words across and down.

SOLUTION TOMORROW

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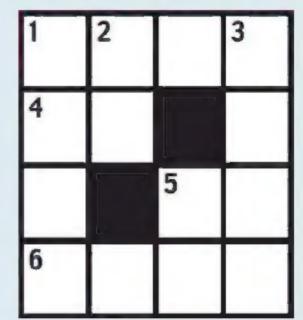
ACROSS

- State of reverie (4)
- 4. Three-toed sloth (2)
- Parliamentary vote (2)
- Noodle variety (4)

DOWN

- 1. Podium (4)
- 2. Social and cultural organisation (abbr) (2)
- 3. Volcanic mud (4)
- 5. Blood group (2)

SOLUTION TOMORROW



CROSS NUMBER



bottom right. SOLUTION TOMORROW

FILL each

Horizontal

square with a

number, 1 to 9.

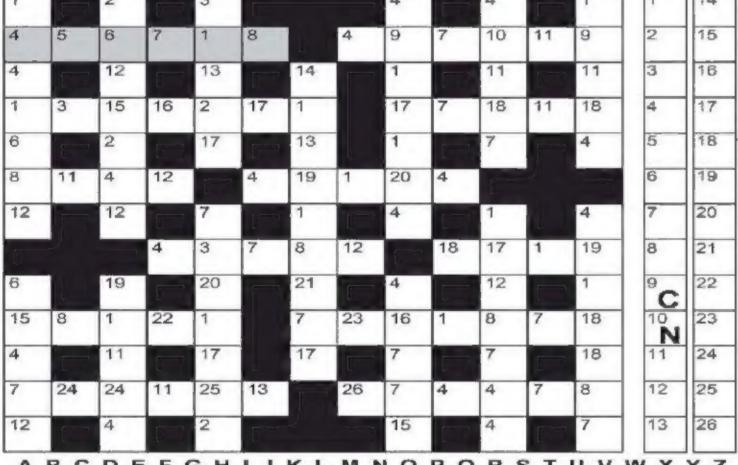
squares add up to totals on right. Vertical squares add up to totals on bottom. Diagonal squares through centre add up to totals in top and

CODEWORD

TOMORROW

EACH number in our Codeword grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. Today 9 represents C, so fill in C every time the figure 9 appears. You have two letters in the control grid to start you off. Enter them in the appropriate squares in the main grid, then use your knowledge of words to work out which letters should go in the missing squares. SOLUTION TOMORROW

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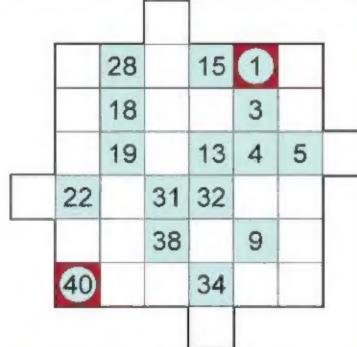
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THE listed words can all be found in the grid — running forwards, backwards, up, down and diagonally -**EXCEPT ONE. For a chance to** win, discover which word from the list can't be found in the Word Search. **ACROSTIC** HAIKU

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COMPLETE the grid so that all the numbers, 1 to 40, connect consecutively — horizontally, children's TV character who vertically or diagonally. Hint: you don't have to begin with 1 or 40. Working on the mid-numbers might give you a better start. SOLUTION TOMORROW

NAME GAME

BOX 1: Robert Downey Jr. (pictured) lip-synched on the video for which Elton John song? Sacrifice (B) | Want Love (T) Are You Ready For Love (L)

BOX 2: In the 1968 film Yellow Submarine, who were the Beatles' music-hating antagonists? The Blue Meanles (E) The Green Baddles (Y) The Red Horrids (M)

BOX 3: Who was the ancient Roman goddess of hearth and home? Juno (U) Minerva (P) Vesta (N)

BOX 4: What was the name of the could bring her drawings to life? Henny Pen (T) Jenny Chalk (S) Penny Crayon (F)

HIDDEN in the grid is the name of an actor. Answer the questions, then rearrange the letters corresponding to your answers to fill in the name. SOLUTION TOMORROW



Three (A)

BOX 5: Who wrote the 1927 novel Tarka The Otter? Gavin Maxwell (C) Henry Williamson (L) Jack London (U)

BOX 6: In which city was RMS Titanic built? Belfast (0) Glasgow (G) Portsmouth (R)

BOX 7: What completes the title of TV drama The Lord Of The Rings: The Rings Of _? Power (M) Destruction (V) Shame (I)

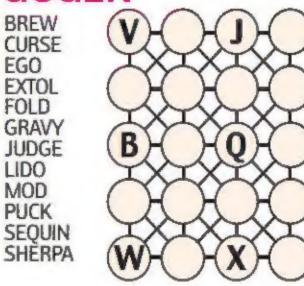
BOX 8: How many of the planets in the solar system are considered to be ice glants? One (H) Two (T)

BOX 9: What is England's smallest city, after the City of London? Chichester (N)

Lichfield (L)

Wells (0) Friday's answer: JOAN MIRO (IJ, 20, 3N, 4i, 5M, 60, 7R, 8A).

Picture: PA



A B C D E F G H I J K K M M O P Ø R S T U J W X Y

INSERT letters to form listed words, moving between adjacent cells horizontally. vertically or diagonally in any direction. Insert all remaining letters of the alphabet (except Z) in the grid so all listed words are spelt out. SOLUTION TOMORROW

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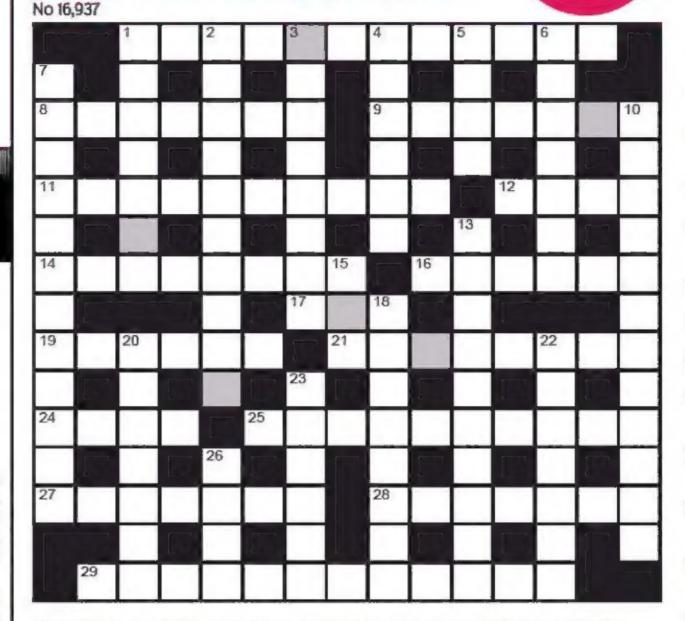
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- 74
- # 7

YOU are South, declarer in 4. West leads the *K, which you win in dummy. Plan the play.

LEAD a low trump and finesse the . J. This is a safety play against the strong possibility of a 3-1 trump break. If you cash the AK and the queen doesn't drop, either defender will be able to ruff in when you try to run dummy's diamonds, then cash three hearts.

If East started with the AQXXX, you will see it on the first round when your AJ wins, and you can afford one diamond to return to dummy to repeat the finesse. If East is void in trumps, you will see that also. It's best to let West's AQ win while he can't damage you with a heart switch. The same applies if either defender started with \ Qxx. Safety first is a good motto.

PETER DONOVAN



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ACROSS

- 1 It decreases annoying errors and upsets (7,5)
- 8 Troops possibly fly
- such a spacecraft (7) 9 Bloke found in
- idiot's wardrobe (7) 11 Fluid matter does for parasitic worms (10)
- 12 Arab leader initially explored Russian space station (4)
- 14 Liberal sailor and German colonist (8)
- 16 Group of employees accepting second agreement (6)
- 17 Several periods
- are put back (3) 19 Passing river Mike is probing (6)
- 21 Cynthia arranged golf as well as sailing (8)
- 24 Distinctive air in aquaria at regular intervals (4)
- 25 Lead public relations team backing stance (10)
- 27 'Free time' rule is broken by European (7)
- 28 Leave a group of musicians performing (7)
- 29 A Greek fruit's transformed performer on edge (6,6)

DOWN

- 1 Present a uniform picture (7)
- 2 Cultivate South Island without using spades?
- That's weird (10) 3 Part of Paris university tender covers
- German city (8) 4 Criminal enterprise, one of at least two in court (6)
- 5 Origin of heartless
- automaton (4) 6 Plots seem sllly
- after school (7) 7 Time to spread a lotion over fist, having
- fought thus? (5,3,4) 10 Early cabbages bound to appear on parts of course (6,6)
- 13 Cast hesitant about American fan (10)
- 15 Go and score in rugby (3)
- 18 Anteater, occasionally macabre, very black on the outside (8)
- 20 Sort of swallow one cocktail (7)
- 22 Tidy place for monks? (2,5)
- 23 French cheeses said to produce wind (6)
- 26 Expert's posh wig is upside down (4)

YOUR

ANSWERS

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SMALLEST, HARDEST CROSSWORD: ACROSS: 1 ChB. 4 Trio. 5 Wasp. 6 IBS. DOWN: 1 Crab. 2 Hiss. 3 Bop. 4 Twi.

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10 Pirate. 12 Germ. 13 Eucalyptus. 15 Grappling Iron. 19 Drinking water. 23 Peach Melba. 25 Open. 28 Ibises. 29 Filigree. 30 Entrap. 31 Decipher. DOWN: 1 Homage. 2 Satyr. 3 Togo. 4 No-trump. 6 Unity. 7 Flatterer. 8 Pressing. 11 Sarl. 14 Sack. 15 Guitarist. 16 Lug. 17 Gate. 18 Adaptive. 20 Noel. 21 Website. 22 In gear. 24 Hyena. 26 Perch. 27 KlwL

ACROSS: 1 Rags. 5 Spuds. 10 Ecru. 11 Mafia. 12 Aruba. 14 Agony. 15 Gym. 16 Pure. 18 Alb. 19 Astral. 22 Nil. 23 Run. 24 Lid. 26 Centre. 28 Eke. 29 Imps. 30 Wet. 31 Caste. 34 Slime. 36 U-turn, 37 Afar, 38 Emmet, 39 Beds. DOWN: 1 Reagan. 2 Acrylic. 3 Grumble. 4 Sub. 5 Smartness. 6 Pager. 7 UFO. 8 Din. 9 Say. 13 Apartment. 17 Usurp. 20 Alewife. 21 Like mad. 25 Deters. 27 Nitre. 31 Cue. 32 ATM. 33 Sum. 35 Lab.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD - ACROSS: 6 Maple, 7 Atkinson, 10 Harlech, 11 Turkish, 12 Curtain. 13 Brendan. 14 Battle royal. 19 Riddler.

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES

QUICK QUIZ:

1 Asia. 2 The Jam. 3 Jean Smart. 4 Basketball. 5 Geocaching. MINDBENDER:

118. 2 They may all precede pie. 3 Austria-Hungary, 4 Nicholas Nickleby, by Charles Dickens; the others are by George Eliot.

5 Ipswich (I-P-S-W-I-C-H). MASTERQUIZ: 1 Fruit. 2 Victor Gollancz. 3 North Dakota. 4 Canada. 5 Robert H. Goddard, 6 B3 (niacin). HONEYCOMB:

1 Modest. 2 Domain. 3 Nimble. 4 Barrel, 5 Errand, 6 Narrow. 7 Worked. 8 Kettle. 9 Tassel. 10 Stores, 11 Renege, 12 Enacts.

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30-SECOND CHALLENGE: Beginner: 32. Intermediate: 52.

Advanced: 42.

27 Eight. DOWN: 1 Spare Rib. 2 Serena. 3 Panhandler. 4 Skit. 5 Monied. 6 Mohock. 8 Nursery. 9 Think. 13 Birmingham. 15 Tilapia. 16 Language. 17 Brush. 18 Behest, 20 Donmar, 22 Custer, 24 Elon,

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